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REAL ESTATE BOARD SEEKS CONFERENCE ON CITY ESTIMATES

Not Satisfied Every Reasonable Means of Economizing Exhausted

Personal Representations to Be Made to City Council

City business formed the central theme of discussion at a well attended meeting of the Victoria Real Estate Board in the Chamber of Commerce rooms to-day. Careful scrutiny of all civic expenditures was advocated, coupled with a suggestion that the action of the City Council to date this year had not resulted in the economies expected.

At the close of an extended discussion the board appointed a committee of five to prepare a careful statement of the position it takes, and to make arrangements for the presentation of this viewpoint to the City Council, supported by a strong delegation at an early date.

Members of the board said freely that, in their opinion, there was a great need for true economy this year as in previous years. Any attempt to squander money on unnecessary items or to do more than proper upkeep required in the matter of civic public works will be resisted, it was stated.

Soma criticism was leveled at what was termed "an extravagant section" of the City Council, which increased votes this year over last year.

Aldermen Hubert Holmes and J. L. Mara replied in explanation of certain of the actions of the council.

Mr. Alderman R. H. B. Ker and Ex-Alderman David Leeming spoke at some length. The city, they said, would be inadvisable to depart from the careful pay-as-you-go policy which had brought it out of difficulty in former years, and which restored the credit and measure of prosperity it enjoys to-day.

Too hasty a conclusion had been drawn from a book surplus which did not exist in fact, it was asserted.

A motion that the City Council be asked to rescind its action in regard to certain votes which led to an increased estimate of expenditures this year was dropped, in favor of an amendment calling for a careful preparation of the case the board will present in person.

The next luncheon meeting of the board further discussion will be given to the City Manager plan.

WASHINGTON DAY CELEBRATED IN U.S.

Birthday of Father of His Country Observed; Address By President Coolidge

New York, Feb. 22.—The United States to-day is celebrating George Washington's birthday, numbers of public ceremonies being features of the anniversary.

The markets of the country remained closed throughout the day. President Coolidge will deliver an address before the National Education Association in Washington to-night.

George Washington was born February 22, 1732 and died December 14, 1799.

JEWEL ROBBERY IN NEW YORK

New York, Feb. 22.—Two armed robbers entered the University Jewelry Shop in the Upper Bronx to-day, assaulted the proprietor, Max Spellman, with the butts of their pistols, rifled the safe of \$15,000 in jewels and escaped.

NOVA SCOTIA TOWN STORMBOUND WEEK

No Railway Trains Have Arrived Recently in Inverness; Mails Delayed

Inverness, N.S., Feb. 22.—Storm-bound for a week, during which period no trains or mails have come in, the town authorities here to-day feared a stock food famine. Shortage of hay was reported from all quarters, and unless the roads and railways are opened soon, it is believed the animals will suffer. A thaw and freezing at the week-end made matters worse, and to-day no trains were expected.

FAMILIAR FIGURE PASSES AWAY



MRS. C. SCRIVEN

MRS. C. SCRIVEN, BISHOP'S WIDOW, CALLED BY DEATH

Familiar Figure in Victoria Since 1884; Early Days Recalled

Mrs. Cicely Scriven, widow of the late Right Rev. Augustine Scriven, former Bishop of Columbia, passed away this morning at 2.30 at the Provincial Royal Jubilee Hospital, where she had been a patient since November last. Although the infirmities of age had limited her activities during the last few years, Mrs. Scriven retained her intellect until the very last, and a wide circle of friends will be saddened by her death.

In the passing of Mrs. Scriven, Victoria, and indeed British Columbia, has lost one of its most picturesque pioneer figures. For over forty years she had been prominent in the church life of the Diocese of Columbia and her tiny figure in its widow's garb and quaint bonnet was until a few years ago one of the most familiar sights in the city. She was noted for her wit and humor and until the day of her death retained the keenness of intellect and ability to appreciate a good story or a humorous situation which had been one of her outstanding characteristics.

She was ever ready to make a joke at her own expense, and used to recall with a characteristic chuckle the disparity between the height of her husband and herself. The late Bishop Scriven stood well over six feet in height, while his wife, to quote her own expression, was "five foot nothing, standing on a brick."

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Two Charged With Vancouver Murder

Vancouver, Feb. 22.—Charged with being the slayer of John Bogros, Greek confectioner, in the holdup of his store here on the night of February 14, Harry B. Howard, twenty-two, appeared before Magistrate H. C. Shaw in police court to-day and was formally remanded until Saturday next.

Alex. Anderson, arrested Friday on a charge of complicity in the murder, was remanded until the same date upon his appearance in the dock on Saturday.

NEW GOVERNOR OF B.C. NOW ON WAY TO VICTORIA

St. John, N.B., Feb. 22.—Among the passengers who arrived here Sunday on the Canadian Pacific steamship Montrose, was Randolph Bruce, Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia.

Mr. Bruce is expected to reach Victoria about March 1.

COUNTRESS CATHCART U.S. VISITOR TEN DAYS

At Liberty in New York City on Bond Lasting That Long

New York, Feb. 22.—Vera, Countess Cathcart, by signing a personal bond of \$500 for her release from Ellis Island last night, voided the habeas corpus proceedings brought by her attorney, United States Attorney Buckner, announced to-day. This action, Mr. Buckner said, placed the countess again under the jurisdiction of the Labor Department. This latest development in the proceedings brought by the United States Government to exclude the countess from this country on the ground of "moral turpitude" was announced by the United States district attorney after a conference with a solicitor for the Department of Labor at Washington.

While Mr. Buckner said he had not had time to study the form of the bond signed by the countess, a lawyer, he said, stipulated she must leave the country at the end of ten days. As a result of not signing this bond, he said, there would be no hearing to-morrow upon her habeas corpus proceedings.

While Mr. Buckner was reaching this conclusion, the countess was planning a sightseeing trip. In an interview at her hotel, the countess declared she was in the dark as to the reason for her sudden release from the island.

"I really do not know how matters stand," she said. "I have no plans for the future and am just waiting."

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Rosthern, Sask. Was Scene of Fire

Saskatoon, Feb. 22.—More than \$50,000 damage was done by fire in Rosthern, early Sunday morning, when Strum's General Store was gutted and the Bank of Montreal building badly damaged in a spectacular blaze which threatened the whole town.

LIQUOR CRAFT CHASED, BEACHED AND SEIZED

San Francisco, Feb. 22.—The United States coastguard patrol boat No. 262 came in to the harbor to-day with an account of having forced the motorboat No. 5632 to beach herself in a chase off Half Moon Bay, south of San Francisco.

The crew of the motorboat had fled, but the fugitives left 245 cases of liquor on board, which the patrol craft brought to San Francisco.

DOUBLE MURDER AND A SUICIDE

Leeville, N.C., Feb. 22.—Neighbors who entered the home of C. M. Jackson, a farmer at Leeville, found Jackson shot to death and his wife dead and his daughter, thirty-seven, mortally wounded by blows from an axe.

Police believe the tragedy was a double murder and a suicide.

CHIEF JUSTICE ILL IN VANCOUVER

Vancouver, Feb. 22.—Chief Justice Gordon Hunter of British Columbia is a patient in a local hospital, where it is stated his condition is not serious.

CONSERVATIVES ARE TO CONTEST REGINA

Stated in Ottawa They Will Nominate Man to Stand Against Dunning

Ottawa, Feb. 22.—The Conservatives have definitely decided, it was stated here to-day, to place a candidate in the field in the Federal by-election in Regina, in opposition to Premier C. A. Dunning of Saskatchewan, who is entering the King Government as Minister of Railways and Canals.

P. W. Turnbull, a barrister of Regina, who contested the seat in the recent general election against F. N. Turke, Liberal, who resigned on Saturday, is mentioned here as the likely Conservative candidate.

Unofficially, however, it is understood, will be called in Regina within the next few days.

A Conservative convention, it is understood, will be called in Regina within the next few days.

Whether or not there will be a Progressive candidate in the by-election will be decided by the Progressives of Regina. Progressive leaders in Ottawa to-day could not furnish any information on the subject at this early date.

Unofficially, however, it is generally believed the fight will be a straight one between Hon. C. A. Dunning and a Conservative candidate, if the official opposition puts up a candidate, which is considered likely.

Robert Forke, the Progressive Leader, had no comment to make on the situation, but did remark that if Mr. Dunning should be elected he would be a capable Minister.

LIBERALS TO MEET
Regina, Feb. 22.—While Hon. Charles Dunning has accepted the portfolio of Railways and Canals in the Federal Cabinet, he remains Premier of Saskatchewan. He will not vacate that office until after Thursday. On that day, according to practice, members of the Liberal Party in the Saskatchewan Legislature and defeated Liberal candidates of other constituencies will assemble in Regina to select a new leader of the party.

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Ottawa Irons Out Vancouver Juvenile Court Difficulties

Complications surrounding the administration of the Vancouver Juvenile Court have been straightened out by the Federal Government, according to word received in the city to-day. In a formal proclamation the Government has rectified errors which appeared in the original proclamation establishing the Juvenile Court in Vancouver. These errors were sufficient to allow the release of two prisoners sentenced by Judge Mrs. MacGill. The new federal proclamation puts Mrs. MacGill's position and that of Magistrate Shaw beyond possibility of legal dispute so far as their association with the Juvenile Court is concerned.

EDITOR FACING CHARGE OF BLASPHEMY DEFIES POLICE AND WILL ADDRESS MEETING

Boston, Feb. 22.—Although halls and public meeting places in five municipalities have shut their doors against them, friends of Anthony Bimba, Brooklyn, N.Y., editor, charged with blasphemy under an ancient Massachusetts law, have announced their intention of holding a mass meeting to-night in his interests in one of the cities. Worcester. Not even military force will prevent the holding of the meeting, they assert.

DENIED EXISTENCE OF GOD
When Bimba appeared on January 20 before a group of Lithuanians in Brockton he delivered a lecture that has brought reverberations from all corners of the Commonwealth and the invoking of a law nearly three centuries old, under which he will be tried for blasphemy.

On a charge of denying the existence of the Deity, and further, of making seditious utterances in advocating the overthrow of the United States Government by force, Bimba will go to trial in Brockton district court next Wednesday.

Announcement was made by supporters that speakers, including Dudley Field Malone, New York editor, and D. Wolf, New York Communist editor, and Bimba himself, would appear at an indignation meeting. But the largest halls in Brockton were barred to them. They sought to arrange for a meeting in Boston, but the city, taking official cognizance of the agitation, has barred Bimba and his supporters from making public addresses.

CLUB ORDERED OUT
In the town of Hudson, where it is alleged Bimba participated in radical activities, the Lithuanian Club has been directed to vacate its hall. Last Saturday night in Pittsfield, police broke up a meeting addressed by Bimba.

The halls had been re-occupied by Bimba supporters in Worcester, but on Saturday H. Sidney Bloomfield, chairman of the Worcester branch of the Labor Defense League, publicly announced neither police nor military interference would prevent the holding of a meeting there to-night—the evening of Washington's birthday.

SEVEN LOST LIVES IN FIRE IN HOTEL

Thirty-six Persons Have Injuries Following Blaze at Hurleyville, N.Y.

Several of Those Hurt May Die; Soft Coal Blamed For the Outbreak

Middletown, N.Y., Feb. 22.—Seven persons are known to have lost their lives and thirty-six were injured in a fire believed to have been caused by soft coal which swept Shindler's Prairie House, a hotel at Hurleyville, twenty-five miles north of here, early to-day. Because of the charred condition of the bodies, only two were identified. They were waiters in the hotel.

At the hospital where the injured are lying it is reported several may die of their burns.

Doctors and nurses were sent to Hurleyville from here shortly after the fire began and aided in removing the injured to Monticello.

The property damage exceeds \$150,000.

Forty guests
It is reported that virtually no one in the hotel escaped injuries of some kind. The structure, a three-story modern winter resort, burned to the ground within an hour. Approximately forty guests were asleep in the hotel when the fire broke out. The flames spread so rapidly that many were trapped in their rooms before they could be awakened.

Many were forced to jump to the ground and suffered fractures of bones.

Firemen and apparatus from nearby towns responded to the general alarm for aid.

VANCOUVER OFFICIAL RESIGNED TO-DAY

E. M. Lefluffy Ceases to be Assistant City Engineer Following Inquiry

Vancouver, Feb. 22.—Resignation of E. M. Lefluffy, assistant city engineer of Vancouver in charge of waterworks maintenance, and an official of the city for the past four years, was handed to Mayor L. D. Taylor to-day shortly before the council met to prepare a report on the waterworks "slip" investigation, involving charges against Mr. Lefluffy.

The council accepted the resignation. Mr. Lefluffy will leave the city's service at once, but will receive his regular pay until the end of April.

A report issued by the council states Mr. Lefluffy acted "entirely improperly" in ordering the construction of various articles for his private use in the city workshops.

\$26,000 FIRE IN NOVA SCOTIA

New Glasgow, N.S., Feb. 22.—The Matheson foundry, on the Trenton Road, was partly destroyed by fire this morning. The loss is estimated at \$26,639.

DISCUSSION OF BYNG'S SUCCESSOR BRINGS UP HIS NAME



THE DUKE OF YORK

London, Feb. 22 (Canadian Press Cable).—With reference to the suggestion that the Duke of York may succeed Lord Byng as Governor-General of Canada at the expiration of the present Governor-General's term of office, the Canadian Press is informed that beyond perhaps an informal and non-committal survey of possibilities, nothing has yet been done regarding the appointment of a successor to Lord Byng on the expiration of his term.

With confidence it can be asserted the Duke of York would be unlikely to accept such an appointment if it were offered to him.

NO WORD TO OTTAWA
Ottawa, Feb. 22.—Reports from London that the Duke of York is slated as the next Governor-General of Canada are stated in official quarters here to be without confirmation. It is intimated no advice to this effect, either official or otherwise, has been received in Ottawa.

STORY TO NEW YORK
New York, Feb. 22.—The New York Herald-Tribune this morning printed a story from its London bureau stating the Duke of York was reported to be in line to succeed Baron Byng of Vimy as Governor-General of Canada.

The Herald-Tribune's story said: "The Duke of York, it is reported, is slated to succeed Baron Byng of Vimy as Governor-General of Canada. The royal appointment to Ottawa has a precedent in the case of the Duke of Connaught, the King's uncle, who relinquished the post ten years ago."

The names of Earl Beatty, the Earl of Craven and the Duke of Atholl also have been mentioned. It is understood, however, that the Canadian Government is leaning toward Lord Byng to retain the post for an additional half-term.

Helen Wills Wins Again in France

Reuillet, France, Feb. 22.—Helen Wills, and her partner, Charles S. Kingsley of England, to-day advanced to the finals of the French mixed tennis doubles by defeating Mrs. Phyllis Satterthwaite of England and Bela Von Kehring of Hungary, 6-4 and 6-2, and later Miss Wills and Kingsley defeated Miss Silven Bennett of England and J. M. B. Fisher of New Zealand in the finals 6-4 and 6-3.

AGED MAN IS MISSING IN VANCOUVER

Vancouver, Feb. 2.—Police here are seeking an eighty-year-old man known as Mr. Elmer, who has been missing since February 18.

On that date, it is said, the man, who intended journeying to Seattle, was last seen in the Strathcona Hotel, but the city, taking United States immigration office here. He has not been seen since.

He had with him the address of a man named O. Smith, Seattle.

HEAVY SENTENCE IS IMPOSED BY COURT ON OPIUM SMUGGLER

Special Officers Make Flying Raid From Mainland to Assist Local Customs in Putting Vernon A. Summers Under Arrest; Narcotics Discovered in Hotel Room.

Vernon A. Summers, arrested on Saturday afternoon and charged with being in possession of sixteen tins of opium, which were found in his bedroom at a local hotel the same day, pleaded guilty before Magistrate Jay in the City Police Court this morning and was given heavy sentence. Eighteen months in the penitentiary with a \$1,000 fine, plus costs, and an additional twelve months in prison failing payment of the fine, was the sentence. The accused man offered no defence.

Flying here by aeroplane on Saturday afternoon, Sergeant Healy of the R.C.M.P., Vancouver, and Special Customs Officer de

Graves, also of Vancouver, followed Summers, narcotic smuggler suspect, to this city and tracked him with Special Officer George Norris, of the Victoria Customs branch, to the liner Empress of Canada, berthed at the outer docks outboard for the Orient. Summers had been a watched man in Vancouver for some time. When he left for this city his movements were closely watched.

Officers Cautious
Even when the discovery of an opium cache in Summers' room at a Vancouver hotel was known to the Customs, they and the Royal Canadian Mounted Police refrained from making an arrest. They were biding their time. Summers came to Victoria and the authorities were working on information to the effect that there might be narcotics aboard the Empress of Canada. So they followed him by aeroplane.

The story of the arrest and the activities of the officers while in Victoria, was told briefly by Customs Officer Norris in the witness stand in the City Police Court this morning.

OFFICER'S STORY
"On Saturday, February 20," said witness, "in company with Sergeant Healy, R.C.M.P., Vancouver, I observed the accused leave the Empress of Canada at Pier 2. We observed him get into an automobile and drive off. We took after him in another automobile. Several Customs Officer Graves was with us. We followed the accused to the city and on searching him found a jacket, commonly used for carrying opium on the ships, but no drugs. The three of us then got in his car and went to a local hotel. Accused said he was registered under another name. There was a suitcase in his room and in it were sixteen tins of opium."

Witness said that in Vancouver accused had been carrying a quantity of opium under the Empress of Canada. But only one of these had been recovered by the police. There must still be a quantity of opium on board the Empress liner, is the contention of Officer Norris.

Witness told of a statement made voluntarily by the accused in which he admitted carrying opium on the Empress of Canada to the three men who arrested him.

Asked if he had anything to say, Summers said he had not.

"Magistrate Jay warned him. 'You have been found in possession of a large quantity of opium, not just a small amount, which leads me to believe that you are dealing in the stuff.' Magistrate Jay said he would impose the heaviest penalty he could on a summary conviction."

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B.C. BATHING SUITS USED IN MALAY WATERS

Increasing Demand For Canadian Products in Straits Settlements

Surf riders and bathing beauties of the Straits Settlements use British Columbia manufactured bathing suits when departing themselves in the tropical waters of that part of the world, according to A. B. Muddiman, Canadian trade commissioner at Singapore, who arrived here to-day on the liner Empress of Russia from the Orient.

Bathing suits are among the British Columbia products that are finding an increasing market in the Straits Settlements. The Vancouver manufacturer article finding a ready market, the trade commissioner says. The demand is mostly European, as the natives are not particularly about bathing costumes. Canned salmon and box shoals are other products of this Province for which there is an increasing demand in the Straits Settlements and contiguous countries.

Although stationed at Singapore and allocated to the Straits Settlements, Mr. Muddiman keeps a watchful eye over trade prospects with numerous other countries in that region, including French Indo-China, Dutch East Indies, the Federated Malay States, the non-Federated Malay States, British North Borneo, Malaya, and Portuguese Timor. The territories mentioned embrace a population estimated at eighty millions of people.

TRADE ON INCREASE
Canadian trade with the Straits Settlements has increased by \$2,000,000 since Mr. Muddiman took over the post of trade commissioner at Singapore three years ago.

Rubber, rice, tin and copra are the products of the Straits Settlements that are largely imported.

Mr. Muddiman, after boosting Canadian trade in the Straits Settlements for three years, is taking a holiday and will spend some time at Ottawa before returning to Singapore.

GREAT FIRES IN AUSTRALIAN FORESTS

Sydney, Australia, Feb. 22 (Canadian Press cable via Reuters).—Reports from Wagga Wagga state five bush fires have linked up and are now burning along a front of 100 miles in the Tumbarumba Mountain district, about 200 miles southwest of Sydney. The fires are threatening a large area of mountain timber, and a number of sheep and cattle.

OWNERS PROTEST
At a meeting in Huntingdon last week the Sumas owners decided to appeal to the Department of Justice against the legislation passed here in the Fall validating the Provincial Government's handling of the reclamation scheme and "fixing" the taxes which the owners must pay for this work. The owners assert that the legislation is confiscatory, as they cannot meet the charges and it prevents them from taking court action because it validates irregularities by the Government.

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EXPECT OTTAWA TO REFUSE TO ENTER INTO SUMAS CASE

Owners Appeal to Justice Department Against B.C. Assessment Costs

Efforts of Sumas farmers to have Provincial legislation covering the Sumas reclamation scheme upset by the Federal Government are not regarded seriously by the Provincial Government. "It is believed here that the Federal authorities would never consider intervening in the dispute between the Provincial Government and the farmers."

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VICTIMS OF SHELLING DISPLAY MISSILE

Men Aboard Nova Scotia Schooner Eastwood Reiterate U.S. Cutter Fired on Ship

As Evidence They Have Kept Piece of Partly Exploded Shell

Halifax, Feb. 22.—Positive identification of the United States cutter, alleged to have been the Seneca, that fired upon the Nova Scotia schooner Eastwood while she was anchored about twenty miles off Long Island last week, may be made through the medium of a piece of a partly exploded shell, now in the possession of Harry Linden, supercargo of the Eastwood.

Linden, who is now in Lunenburg, where the Eastwood lies in a crippled

GEN. WU, CHINESE ARMY LEADER, IS REPORTED KILLED

Peking, Feb. 22.—Chinese newspapers to-day published a report from Kuomintang sources that Marshal Wu Pei-fu, leader of the Hupeh army, which is fighting the national army in Honan, had been assassinated at Hankow during a service in memory of General Hsia Yao-Nan, Governor of Hupeh, who died a few days ago.

condition, had the following to say over the long-distance telephone: "We know the Seneca. We made no mistake. She has two crown-ports on her forward spar and one on her after spar."

"It is ridiculous to suppose the ship which attacked us might have been a pirate disguised."

DENIAL BY U.S. CAPTAIN

New York, Feb. 22.—Supercargo Linden and Capt. Spindler's descriptions of the cutter which fired upon their ship, the Canadian schooner Eastwood, were declared today by Capt. E. Blake of the United States coastguard cutter Seneca to be "very much like our boat."

He emphatically reiterated his denial, however, that the Seneca had fired upon the Eastwood.

"I did not fire upon the Eastwood. I have made that denial and I stick by it," he said. "I am making no further statement whatever."

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"TEAR BOMBS" REPULSE MOB—Exploding "tear gas" bombs, shown in the above picture, drove back a mob which sought to break through wire entanglements into the courthouse at Georgetown, where Harry Butler, a negro, was on trial for attacking a twelve-year-old girl. Success of the bomb barrage saved troops guarding the courthouse from the necessity of using machine guns.

MICHAEL TELLS THE FURNACE ROOM STORY OF HELL AND FURY ON SINKING ANTINOE



High officialdom in neck chains and gold braid turns out to welcome the Antioch survivors and rescue heroes at Plymouth, England. Shaking hands with Captain Harry Toss of the Antioch is the Plymouth mayor. Mrs. Toss is beside the captain, beside her Captain George Fried of the President Roosevelt, and then Captain Goldsmith, representing the First Lord of the British Admiralty.

By MILTON BRONNER

Queensdown, Ireland, Feb. 22.—The captains and the first mates and the radio officers have told their stories of how the Antioch went down, and now listen to the story of Michael Matthews.

"It's from the furnace room—that Michael Matthews' story comes—the furnace room that was hell and fury when the Antioch ran into the four

days and nights of lunging, plunging and peril.

"I'm sick of the sea," Michael Matthews told me, and the simple sentence told more than all the long columns of cables about the rescue of the Antioch's men by the President Roosevelt.

"A Newry, North of Ireland, man I am, with Newry, New Jersey, more like home to me, and I've had the water and the sea in my face, and the whole Atlantic ocean seemed pouring down on us."

"It was hell and fury down there. And when we got to the deck, it was to hang there for three days and three nights and more—wet, hungry, thirsty, shivering like dogs, a-hopin' the Roosevelt could save us, and then stoppin' Copin' and just thinkin' that right in sight of that grand vessel we'd soon be sinkin' like rats, with our mouths filled with bitter sea water and a breath left, even to cry out 'So long!'"

THE MIRACLE

"And then when we was thinkin' we was dead men for sure and certain, a lookin' at the prize, Missusignor Whelan, who stayed up day and night on the Roosevelt a-tryin' to give us some comfort—just then the miracle happened, and we was got off."

"Black as coal from oil and grit and soot and dirt of the furnace room I was."

"They fed us first. I asked for ham and eggs, a hot drink, bringin' in 'em till I couldn't eat no more. And whiskey. The Roosevelt's a dry boat, but the stuff came up from somewhere."

"And then I began to wash and wash, and to try to look like a white man once more."

"After I got cleaned up, people began to give me things. One gave me some underwear, another some socks, another pants, another a coat and another a hat. They didn't match, and I looked all dressed up like a Portuguese admiral."

PHILADELPHIA CHICKEN

"They gave us a regular Christmas dinner several nights after. Man, they fed us Philadelphia chicken! And I ate 'em and ate 'em 'till my ears wagged."

"And sleep? Man, do you know what a real sleep in a real warm bed is?"

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. Chas. A. Harding, Dentist, 311 Union Bank, Hours 9 to 5.30. Evening by appointment. Phone 718.

GRAHAM STATES CABINET STRONGER

Retiring Minister Says Choice of Dunning For Railway Post Wise One

For Months Graham Had Desired to be Relieved of Office

Ottawa, Feb. 22.—Right Hon. George P. Graham to-day issued the following statement in connection with his retirement as Federal Minister of Railways and Canals, to be succeeded by Hon. Charles A. Dunning, at present Premier of Saskatchewan:

"There is no friction, no misunderstanding, and the Prime Minister has merely carried out my wish, expressed to him on several occasions. Before the last general election, I asked to be relieved, but capitulated at the request of the Prime Minister and what might be called a demand of the Liberal executive of South Essex. I felt better in having done so, even though I had not been censured by the Liberals of this province for running away in the face of battle. I would have been a senator had I not insisted on being a candidate in South Essex. This appointment, under the circumstances indicated above, I declined. There may be some reward in Heaven for this, but I certainly did not get it in South Essex."

DUNNING WAS BUSY

"After the election was over I again informed the Prime Minister of my intention to retire and the change would have been made some weeks ago except for the fact that Mr. Dunning, as Prime Minister of Saskatchewan, was engaged in his legislative work. I want to make it clear that the Premier only acquiesced, under protest, in my repeated requests to him to be relieved."

"I note one newspaper suggests the duties of the Minister of Railways are not so onerous as they were during the construction of the National Transcontinental Railway. Having been the minister in charge during the building of the National Transcontinental Railway, I can assure the people the worry and responsibilities to-day in connection with the great Canadian National Railway System are infinitely greater than those experienced in connection with the construction of the National Transcontinental Railway."

POSITION STRENGTHENED

"The Canadian National Railway System, under its present management, has achieved an enviable position, so that in leaving the Railway Department I do not feel a responsibility is being shirked."

"It is a pleasure to be succeeded by such an able man as the Hon. Charles A. Dunning, who has made a success of everything he has touched, both in a private and public capacity."

"This morning Mr. Graham sent the following telegram to his successor, Hon. Charles A. Dunning:

"Congratulations. I know of no man I would have more gladly seen in the Railway Department. Until you arrive we will acknowledge receipt of correspondence and departmental letters. You will find the staff able, conscientious and what is absolutely essential, thoroughly loyal."

OTHER BY-ELECTIONS

The resignation of Rt. Hon. G. P. Graham and the appointment of Mr. Dunning mark the first of the several cabinet changes forecast since the general election last October.

"Other by-elections will undoubtedly follow 'the one in Regina next month, but it is stated now officially that any new ministers will be selected from the Liberal ranks in the House of Commons."

The most probable new member of the cabinet is W. D. Euler, Liberal member for North Waterloo, Ontario. Mr. Euler has been constantly among those named in connection with the general election last October and he has been mentioned for the portfolio of either Immigration or Labor.

James Macdonald, Liberal member for North Bruce, Ontario, has also been frequently mentioned, although if Mr. Macdonald entered the Cabinet it would probably be as a Minister without portfolio.

Whatever by-elections are scheduled will come after the one in Regina on March 23. This would mean early April at latest before the ministers to follow Mr. Dunning into the cabinet would be able to take their seats on the treasury benches.

THE HOUSEWIFE'S DIARY

I read the other day of an English nobleman who believes that all sorts of human ailments can be cured by the use of different colors. He insists, he is good for blood poisoning, a certain shade of violet causes growth of veins and another violet hardens the tissues, green increases the energy and fat and yellow is good for the nerves. Last any one might rush headlong into the work of curing by colors this English lord assures his readers that he has agreed with the right shades will do the exact opposite of the desired results may be achieved if other shades are used. Truly, he hopes that before long the world will be cured of its ills through the use of colors.

This man is perhaps exaggerating the possibilities of his theory, but I am sure that certain colors have a very inspiring effect in our houses. An old-fashioned kitchen with dark woodwork and dark-colored walls makes cooking and dish washing depressing enough. An up-to-date kitchen with light woodwork and light-colored walls painted a cheerful tone has just the opposite effect. Some years ago there was quite a vogue for green wallpaper. This went out of style with the decorators partly, I think, because most green wallpapers



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FOOTBALL RESULTS IN OLD COUNTRY

London, Feb. 22 (Canadian Press Cable). League football games to-day resulted as follows:

ENGLISH LEAGUE—FIRST DIVISION

Leicester 3, Newcastle 2.

ENGLISH LEAGUE—SECOND DIVISION

Stoke 1, Preston North End 3.

The Wednesday 2, Middlesbrough 0.

ENGLISH LEAGUE—THIRD DIVISION

Northern Section

Rotherham 5, Ashington 12.

Southern Section

Exeter Town 3, Northampton 2.

Merthyr Town 2, Swindon 1.

RUGBY LEAGUE—CUP REPLAY

Bradford 9, Keighley 4.

RUGBY LEAGUE

Halifax 19, Leigh 6.

AMATEUR HOCKEY

Revelstoke, B.C., Feb. 22.—By defeating Vernon here last night in the second game of a series in the intermediate hockey play-offs, Enderby now meets the winner of the Victoria-Seafarths-Prince George series.

The score of Saturday night's encounter was 5-1, giving the series to Enderby by 3-1. The first period went scoreless, but the remaining two saw Enderby pile up their five goals in quick succession. The game was featured by heavy checking, brilliant solo work and numerous penalties.

In the final stanza G. Jones of Enderby and W. Langstaffe of Vernon commenced a fluster encounter and were sent off for the balance of the game.

It is understood that Victoria and Prince George are anxious to play off here, but it is feared locally that ice conditions and gate receipts will not be such as would warrant the trip. Almost 1,000 people witnessed Saturday's game, while the ice was in fair condition.

Iona Robertson In Song Recital To-morrow Night

Iona Robertson, well-known to London concert platforms will give to-morrow evening at the New Thought Temple, a song recital. She will be assisted by Rita Ormiston, a local young pianist of excellent talents. And Mrs. Clifford Wain will preside at the piano. Miss Robertson has selected an unusually interesting programme, such composers as Hummel, Meyerbeer, Scarlatti, Gluck and Paderewski being represented. She will give also some Scotch folk songs and four recitations in the letter of which she has high histrionic abilities. Miss Robertson will give a group of McDowell numbers, and solos by Rachmaninoff, Debussy and Rubinstein.

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NO APOLOGY FROM VANCOUVER MAYOR

Controversy With First United Church is Over Liquor and Vice

Pastor's Statements Published in East: Mayor Taylor Sent Telegram

Vancouver, Feb. 22.—Condemnation of Mayor Louis D. Taylor's action in sending a telegram to Toronto newspapers denying the accuracy of statements published in the eastern city and ascribed to Rev. Richmond Craig, pastor of the First United Church, Vancouver, was contained in a resolution passed by the congregation of the church last night. The resolution will be presented to the city council, and a demand for an apology for statements contained in the mayor's telegram, which the congregation allege cast aspersions upon the integrity of Mr. Craig, will be made.

NO APOLOGY
"No apology is coming from me. I stand by the telegram I sent. There the matter rests so far as I am concerned," declared the mayor to-day. "The object of my telegram was to defend the name of Vancouver in the East. That is my privilege as mayor whenever I hear extravagant statements being made."
"Mr. Craig charges me as being allied with the liquor interests," continued the mayor. "If defending the good name of Vancouver from an attack in eastern papers is allying me

with the liquor interests, I will probably have to accept his judgment. "My defence of Vancouver has nothing whatever to do with the liquor interests."

The telegram in question was dispatched by Mayor Taylor last week following receipt of information from the East that Mr. Craig had given an interview in which he described in lurid language vice conditions in Vancouver, which he attributed to failure of government control of the liquor traffic.

BIG CONGREGATION

Hundreds of people were unable to get into the First United Church Sunday night to hear Mr. Craig deliver a sermon on "The Mayor's Telegram." He declared he stood behind everything he had said in his Toronto interview. The brewers had the Government of British Columbia by the throat, he alleged, and he held that Mayor Taylor, through his telegram, had definitely allied himself with the liquor interests in Vancouver.

Three Were Killed In Automobile Crash

Stevenson, Wash., Feb. 22.—Virgil Miller, eighteen, and his sister, Leacha, fifteen, were killed instantly last night and their friend, Miss Guernsey, eighteen, was injured fatally when the automobile in which they were riding plunged over a high bluff below Blingen, Washington. Miss Guernsey died in the Hood River Hospital.
A younger Guernsey girl was thrown out of the machine, but was not hurt seriously.
Virgil Miller was driving the automobile at the time of the accident. The party was en route to a dance at Blingen.
Young Miller lived at Cook, Washington. Leacha Miller made her home with her sister, Mrs. Fred Brock, at Sandy, Oregon.

ROBBERS CAPTURED BY OREGON SHERIFF

Three Men Who Had Blown Safe Were Pursued in Automobile

Cloverdale, Ore., Feb. 22.—Two men, accompanied by a third who drove an automobile, blew the safe in the Cloverdale Mercantile Company's store early to-day, with a charge of nitroglycerin, that wrecked the office, and fled with about \$100 in cash, \$1,000 in cheques, \$2,000 or \$3,000 in notes, and valuable papers.
Sheriff Ashlin of Tillamook County was summoned and notified in direction of which city robbers had fled. Sheriff Manning followed the robbers' automobile for five miles, pursued the trio after they had leaped from their machine and fired two shots at them, overtook them in bush and arrested them without resistance.
The three men were taken to the Tillamook jail.

Body of Unknown Man Was Found in Park in Vancouver

Vancouver, Feb. 22.—Hanging by a rope attached to the neck and tied to an overhead iron bar, the body of an unidentified man was found Sunday morning in an outbuilding near the monkey house in Stanley Park.
Walter Adams, park employee, made the discovery and notified the police, the body being removed to the city morgue.
It is described as that of a man apparently about thirty-five years of age, weighing 150 pounds and approximately 5 feet 3 inches in height. No papers were found among the effects of the stranger.

To End Giving of Short Weights In Food Stores

London, Feb. 22.—The Government's food council, after a long investigation, has issued a report urging drastic legislation to prevent vendors from giving short weight or measure in the sale of foodstuffs. The investigation revealed instances in which the public had been seriously deceived.
The chief recommendation is that the giving of short weight or measure be made a statutory offence.

COUNTRESS CATHCART U.S. VISITOR TEN DAYS.

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GREETED ON ARRIVAL

New York, Feb. 22.—Vera, Countess Cathcart, is at liberty in New York city to-day.
Her entry into the United States stopped a week and a half, as she admitted "moral turpitude" during an elopement with the Earl of Craven, who was permitted last night to leave Ellis Island for ten days under her own personal bond of \$500.
The order to grant Countess Cathcart temporary admission to the country was received by Commissioners of Immigration Curran from Theodore Grisley, Acting Secretary of Labor.

The order of an immigration board at Ellis Island barring her from the United States was confirmed by Secretary of Labor Davis after he had considered all angles of the case. If no further move had been made the countess would have been deported last Saturday.

However, started habeas corpus proceedings, and a hearing was set for to-morrow before a federal judge. When the countess arrived at the Battery last night she was met by Mrs. Gordon Carr, who had accompanied her to the United States. They drove in a taxi to the Hotel Ambassador, where Mrs. Carr has been staying.

Before entering the taxi, Countess Cathcart said:
"My release must have been in answer to my prayers. I have prayed so hard. If I come so unexpectedly, I thank God."

CONSERVATIVES ARE TO CONTEST REGINA

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their party, and hence a new Premier.
They will meet in the afternoon to agree on their choice and will present their decision to a provincial convention to be held the same evening.
Hon. C. M. Hamilton, Minister of Agriculture and Municipal Affairs, or Hon. J. G. Gardiner, Minister of Highways and Labor, is expected to be the choice of the party for the position.

Premier Dunning announced Saturday he had informed the Lieutenant Governor of his desire to resign as Premier of Saskatchewan in order to accept appointment as Minister of Railways of Canada.

CONSERVATIVE CONVENTION
Prominent Conservatives anticipate a convention of the Regina constituency Conservative organization will be held within a week to consider the question of placing a candidate in the field to contest the by-election. A meeting of the Progressives also likely to be held shortly to consider the situation.

Winnipeg, Feb. 22.—A special dispatch to The Manitoba Free Press from Regina says:
"Conservative opposition to Hon. Charles Dunning, Premier of Saskatchewan, who he seeks election in Regina March 23 in order to take up the Federal post of Minister of Railways, is practically certain."

"Prominent Conservatives declare there is not the slightest chance of Premier Dunning securing an acclamation in the city. The names of several Conservatives are being mentioned and a convention probably will be called within a week."

EGPECT OTTAWA TO REFUSE TO ENTER INTO SUMAS CASE

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FOR FARMERS' BENEFIT
Hon. E. D. Barrow, Minister of Agriculture, pointed out to-day that the irregularities complained of were purely technical and undertaken solely in the interests of the owners themselves. The Government, he explained, had assessed lands lying in the old bottom of Sumas Lake, while it did not actually control these lands as they were in the process of being transferred from Federal Government ownership. The assessment against these lands, of course, reduced the assessed value of the lands nearby. This assessment was validated by the Legislature and appeal on this score thus made impossible.

Members of the Government declared to-day that the injustice of the charges against the Sumas project had been proved lately by the sale of extensive tracts of land for private well in advance of the original value and the cost of reclamation.

Premier Oliver, writing to the Department of Justice to ask for copies of any representations made to it by the owners. If necessary, these representations can be answered by the Government but it is not believed here that the Federal authorities would do so.

From the Saskatchewan register of joint stock companies "Mr. Carmichael, of Regina, provided the incorporation in the province of the following defendant companies: Mutual Brokers, Regina; Lloyd Fruit Company, Kerrobert; Mercantile Company, Walker; Fruit Company, Rex Fruit Company, Crown Grocery Company, Canadian Fruit Company, Stockton and Mallinson, Prince Albert Fruit Company, Weyburn Grocery Company, Early Fruit Company, Swift's Grocery Company, Moose Jaw Grocery Company, Mutual

OVERNIGHT ENTRIES AT TIA JUANA

War Sallam	110
War Lass	110
Lorraine C.	110
Weather Vane	110
Merry Time	110
Flowing Gold	110
"Brown entry	
Second race—Five furlongs.	
Jersey Red	98
Little Red	102
Bardo	102
Coombs	102
Rosa Atkins	102
Midnight Bell	104
North Bell	104
Old Red	104
Damar	109
Miss Nancy	109
Kubak	111
Lady Tiptoe	111
Adonis	113
Green	113
Third race—Five furlongs.	
Golden Maiden	91
Irish Bee	108
Cordovan	108
Collins	108
Lot of Style	108
Peter Pierson	108
Douglas H. Johnson	112
Dorothy Pop	112
Marion North	112
East Star	112
The Headle	112
Vesper Bella	112
Moxie	113
Galleon	113
Shylark	113
Fourth race—One mile.	
Yokohama Girl	102
Malacha	102
Marl	102
Miss Lane	102
Carrollation	102
Bunleigh	102
Barrel J.	102
Mess Kitten	102

LIQUOR GUARD FORCED TO FLEE AS BULLETS CAME

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Seattle, Feb. 22.—W. H. Thompson, federal prohibition agent, reported he had taken part in a pistol battle with five unidentified men here to-day.
The men drove up in an auto truck and opened fire on Thompson, who was standing on a street corner. Thompson started to run with bullets whizzing about him. He said he stopped once and returned the fire. The men pursued him for a block and then sped away.
Thompson was not injured.

authorities would consider intervening.

HEAVY SENTENCE IS IMPOSED BY COURT ON OPIUM SMUGGLER

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Eighteen months, a fine of \$1,000 and costs of \$3.50 was the sentence, with twelve months additional if fine and costs were not paid.
Summers had his left arm heavily swathed in bandages this morning. He stood in the dock pale and his face twisted nervously at times.
He was calm when he declared to the court that he had nothing to say, and he took his sentence without a word. He is a small man, dark and quiet mannered.

ACTED ON VICTORIA TIP

Vancouver, Feb. 22.—Acting on a tip from Victoria late Saturday, Special Customs Officer J. C. Barton and Sergeant Frapp, of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, visited the room in a local hotel here, said to have been occupied by Vernon H. Summers and seized several packages of opium, the specific amount of which has not been made public. Customs officers value the combined Vancouver and Victoria seizures at \$5,000.

COURT SESSION IS HELD IN A HOTEL

Vancouver, Feb. 22.—The assize court, in which the trial is proceeding of fifty-three Western Canadian fruit and vegetable dealers on conspiracy charges, convened this morning in a room of the Devonshire Apartments here for the purpose of obtaining from an accused, William Colquhoun of Calgary, who was injured on Friday last, the waiving of his right to be present at the trial.
Mr. Colquhoun, injured a leg through a fall on hotel stairs.

When the trial was resumed, E. P. Davis, K.C., leading defence counsel, explained Mr. Colquhoun had met with an accident which would confine him to his room for a few days. He pointed out that the trial could proceed in the defendant's absence, under sub-section 2 of Section 943 of the Criminal Code, provided his counsel consented. Mr. Davis acquiesced.

Prosecutor J. C. McRuer said he was puzzled about the matter. He doubted whether counsel could waive the right of a defendant to be present.

Mr. Justice D. A. McDonald suggested the court should adjourn to the morning, when the trial would be held there.

BRIEF TIME NEEDED

The judge explained that the jury, himself, the sheriff, the counsel and the court reporter would step across the street to the hotel, which fronts the courthouse, and the whole matter would be over in less than five minutes.

This was done and Mr. Justice McDonald was accompanied by a constable of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police.

INCORPORATIONS PROVED

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Brokers, Saskatoon, and the Smith Fruit Company. The witness similarly proved that two Alberta companies, the Nash Shingleton Company and the Northern Fruit Company, were registered to conduct business in Saskatchewan. He was examined by J. J. Fawley of Edmonton.

INVOICES IDENTIFIED

Thomas B. Jones, employed by the Robert Efford Company, wholesale fruit and produce merchants, identified invoices received from Mutual (Vancouver) limited for goods purchased.
Charles Harry Balfour, called by the prosecution to produce invoices from Mutual (Vancouver) limited to the firm of Balfour, Nixon and Robertson, stated he had been unable to find them.
E. J. Howson, Toronto accountant, resumed the witness stand and was cross-examined by A. McLeod Sinclair, K.C.

ERRORS ADMITTED

The chief item of interest in Mr. Howson's evidence was his admission under cross-examination that there were two or three errors in the tabulations of transactions laid by him before the jury last week. The tabulations had been made with great speed after the second seizure of books, he said, and he was prepared to admit any error the defence might point out.

CANTON WARNED TO OBSERVE TREATIES

Customs Commissioner Protests Selling of Cargoes by Strike Committee
Hongkong, Feb. 22.—The commissioner of customs of Canton has sent a strongly worded protest to the Canton Government regarding the alleged serious violation of treaties through the action of the strike committee in seizing and selling cargo, including contraband, under customs control. The commissioner protests against the action of the strike committee, which he considers a violation of all treaties between foreign powers and China. He threatens to stop shipment of all outward cargoes and the handling of import cargoes after to-day unless satisfaction is obtained.

FISH USED TO CONCEAL WINE

Seattle, Feb. 22.—Two prohibition agents were sent to offices of the American Express Company Saturday to investigate fifty-eight cases of pickled fish.
The agents reported back that the fish were packed. Each layer of herring reposed on a layer of precious French wine.
The fifty-eight cases were consigned to the Lay Fish Company and were from the Superior Fish Company of Montreal.

Charles A. Berth, Joseph Casile and Max Hecht, truckmen loading the fish, were arrested and held in bail on \$500 each.
The value of the wine was fixed at \$15,000.

Migration Figures Are Explained by J. Bruce Walker

London, Feb. 22.—(Canadian Press Cable)—J. Bruce Walker, Canadian Director of Emigration, says the statistics on migration to Canada recently quoted by Lieut. Colonel L. C. Amery, Secretary of State for Dominion Affairs, have been misunderstood in some Canadian quarters.
Colonel Amery said 1,003 families had applied for emigration to the Dominion, 750 of them having been accepted. There were 1,445 applications from single men who wished to go to Canada, 270 of these having been accepted, and 1,175 applications from women, 106 were accepted.

Bruce Walker told the Canadian Press to-day it was a mistake to assume the unaccepted applications were necessarily rejected. These applications were still under consideration, he said.

Prisoner Beaten by Fellow Convicts

Salem, Ore., Feb. 22.—As an aftermath of the fire and riot at penitentiary last week two convicts fell upon another in the "dog house" in the prison grounds yesterday and beat him so severely that he was taken to the penitentiary hospital.
Gilbert Lawrence and Joe Palmer did the beating. Their victim was George Williams.
Lawrence and Palmer were confined in the "bull pen" bringing the number in that enclosure to fifteen. The two had been confined previously for starting the fire and eleven for participating in the riot. Williams was one of the convicts who discovered the fire and helped to put it out.

Sailors' Journey Interests Officials

Vancouver, Feb. 22.—Nine members of the crew of the Belgian steamship Gertrude are on their way home across this country to Belgium, and the Vancouver office of the immigration department of Canada has been inquiring why the men left over the week-end without having applied to the immigration department for proper clearances. The ship recently changed owners here and it is understood, will be operated out of Vancouver.

TWO WERE ASPHYXIATED

New York, Feb. 22.—Pablo Rodriguez and Natividad Valcarcel were married Saturday evening at the bride's home here. Shortly after midnight they went to their newly rented apartment. They were found dead in bed at 1 o'clock yesterday afternoon. Gas was streaming from two unlighted burners in the kitchen range.

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NOVA SCOTIA MINERS VOTE DOWN NEW PLAN

Majority of 3,735 Against Agreement Proposed by Empire Steel Corporation
Sydney, N.S., Feb. 22.—The United Mine Workers of America, District 26, have voted against the proposed agreement with the British Empire Steel Corporation by a majority of 3,735 votes. In each of the five sub-districts the referendum was overwhelmingly against acceptance, and clearly indicated the attitude of the miners regarding the "no check-off" clause which the corporation insisted should be embodied in the agreement. The results of the poll show that a large majority insist upon its inclusion in any agreement.

The result of the referendum was given out by the United Mine Workers' headquarters at Glace Bay as follows:
Total vote, 6,075; for, 1,170; against, 4,905. Majority against, 3,735.

Langford

Special to The Times
Langford, Feb. 22.—The eighth card party of the season will be held at the home of Miss L. A. O'Neil, 10 Island Highway, under the auspices of the Langford Women's Institute on Wednesday evening. A hearty invitation is extended to all local card players.
Miss Kate Norman of Victoria spent the week-end as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Horace Simpson, Sherwood, Peatt Lane.

NEW RACQUET CHAMPION

Boston, Feb. 22.—Stanley O. Mortimer of New York won the National Racquet Championship on the courts of the Tennis and Racquet Club here to-day, defeating Clarence C. Fell of New York, holder of the title for the past six years, 10-15, 15-8, 6-15, 15-17 and 17-14.

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MR. DUNNING'S TRANSLATION

CONSIDERABLE STRENGTH WILL BE added to the Government of Mr. Mackenzie King by the inclusion of Premier Dunning of Saskatchewan as Minister of Railways and Canals. His election for the constituency of Regina—which can be taken as a foregone conclusion—following closely upon the remarkable victory of the Prime Minister in Prince Albert, will give the West efficient representation in the inner councils of the Administration and leave its case in competent hands in the House of Commons.

Mr. Dunning has had a remarkable career during the twenty-four years which have elapsed since he came to Canada from Leicestershire and began to climb the ladder of success as a common laborer. In less than fourteen years he became a Cabinet Minister and in twenty years, at the age of thirty-seven, he rose to the position of Premier of his Province. He will enter the Ministry of the Dominion before he has reached his forty-first birthday. Small wonder that the people of Saskatchewan should have recognized the sterling worth which this record implies by giving him such a handsome House majority over all other parties at the last provincial election.

Not has this confidence been misplaced. Mr. Dunning has given his Province a very efficient administration and there is no indication that public opinion will change when the direction of affairs is transferred to other hands. He has proved himself a worthy successor to Hon. Walter Scott and Hon. William Martin.

GREAT REFORMS COME SLOWLY

REPORTS FROM LONDON INDICATE that the land proposals of Mr. Lloyd George had quite a stormy time in the Liberal Associations' Convention last week. Even fistuffs were resorted to by two of the delegates on Friday and rumors are rife that dissension in the party ranks may do damage to the cause of Liberalism which will require many years to repair. At the same time, the scheme, with a few amendments to which its sponsor agreed, was adopted with enthusiasm as the chief plank in the Liberal platform. And The Daily Chronicle says:

"There is nothing ambiguous or perfunctory about the success of the Liberal land convention, which has really made history. It was attained by a compromise which did not in the eyes of any section destroy the value of the land policy or its effectiveness. It has placed before all actual or potential Liberal a policy which gives them unlimited scope for effort."

It will take more than one convention debate to launch a proposal which is intended to reverse a land policy which belongs to a very much earlier day. Thousands of farm laborers, whose fathers and grandfathers were laborers before them, will be quite content to take their five and six dollars a week for a year or so longer and postpone the prospect of owning a bit of land of their own if, by allowing reform to come slowly, they will be rendering a service which posterity will appreciate. But reform of this kind will have to come sooner or later if Britain is to keep in step with other countries and help herself to a greater extent in the provision of the food she needs to sustain her people.

What a contemporary means by saying that the Lloyd George plan would destroy by slow stages "the tradition of individual effort and freedom in connection with the holding of land" we do not know. Only an infinitesimal amount of the land now held bears any relation to individual effort. How it was originally obtained by its first owners in the Middle Ages does not matter; an attempt is now about to be made to furnish some machinery whereby the individual effort of the man who toils on the land may be rewarded by opportunity to own a little of it—a system upon which this Dominion has thrived.

As to the turbulent atmosphere of the convention, not unusual at gatherings of this sort, no Old Country Liberal will worry. Liberals everywhere understand the meaning of another sort of "individual effort" and never fail to take advantage of speaking their minds. They are working in Britain for the man who, at Friday's session, said: "Go on, Mr. Lloyd George, and God bless you. Some of the wealthy men may curse you, but other men and generations unborn will rise and call you blessed." This came from a Somersetshire delegate who was once evicted because he asked that his weekly pay be increased from \$2.65 to \$2.90. He had a wife and eight children to support. Many are no better off to-day.

TO THE POLE BY AIR

ALTHOUGH NEW INFORMATION about the area which surrounds the North Pole may not add very materially to the sum of human knowledge, the journey which Captain Wilkins will shortly undertake by air in that region will be watched with intense interest by all who have made a study of aeronautical research and the development of the aeroplane.

Mr. Amundsen is doubtful about the ability of

the machines which will be used in the Wilkins expedition to make a more successful flight than he and his companions made last year. The leader of the party already in the North is fully confident because of the longer flying range and greater fuel carrying capacity of his craft. The proof of the pudding, of course, will be in the eating. What no explorer of the Arctic wastes, no matter how experienced or scientifically equipped, can foresee or prepare for beyond a certain point, are the secrecy and uncertainty with which Nature surrounds her moods. Conditions which faced the Amundsen pioneers of invasion of the high latitudes by heavier-than-air machines were comparatively favorable and would have been surmounted with greater success with a little better fortune.

Captain Wilkins may meet with better luck both in a climatic and mechanical sense. Given conditions as good, however, his effort should be still more valuable to aeronautical science because it will reveal the amount of progress which has been made in the construction of an engine for use under the most trying circumstances. But, apart from this, flying to the North Pole will be nothing more for some time to come than a sporting venture which calls for personal courage of the highest order.

BUTTER SUPPLIES SCARCE

IN ITS MARKET REPORTS OF LAST Saturday The Vancouver Daily Province says that supplies of local butter are still very short, "in fact exceptionally scarce," and all offerings are being steadily taken up. It is also pointed out that local production of butter shows little improvement, and it is not anticipated that Alberta or Saskatchewan will materially alter for some time to come. Advice from Australia, moreover, show a distinct hardening of the market in comparison with previous rates.

This information ought to be of interest to critics of the Canadian-Australian trade treaty—particularly those who persist in declaring that the arrangement is little short of a death blow to this country's dairy industry. The reports to which we have referred at least do not suggest that butter from the Antipodes is flooding either British Columbia or any other part of this Dominion. On the contrary, they show that we are still in the position in which we have been for some time—unable to produce anything like enough for our own requirements. Nor does it appear that the two important producing butter provinces to the East of the Rockies are able to come to the rescue to the extent that would appear desirable.

This condition bears out the statement which the Dominion Minister of Agriculture made in the House of Commons the other day when one Conservative member said that Australian butter had flooded the country. It was to the effect that a very large consignment of the Canadian product had to be recalled from Britain recently in order to relieve a domestic shortage here. All of which goes to show that the noisiest objectors to the treaty are those who are looking at it through political eyes. Meanwhile there seems to be plenty of incentive for Canadian dairymen to produce more butter.

FACTS FOR MR. MAITLAND

FOR THE FIRST FIFTY DAYS OF 1926 the value of building permits issued in Vancouver shows an increase over the corresponding period of last year of about \$1,000,000. This statement must be gratifying to the people of the Terminal City. But we should like to know what President Maitland of the Provincial Conservative Association thinks about it in the light of his declaration here Friday night that capital is chary of coming to British Columbia in any form because of the policies of the Oliver Government. He will have to admit that increasing activity in the building of homes and commercial structures can hardly be reconciled with industrial stagnation or general economic anaemia.

WHAT OTHER PAPERS SAY

TO RESPECT CANADA'S RIGHTS

From The Toronto Globe
Assurance given by President Coolidge to the delegation from the Great Lakes Harbor Association which presented to him the resolutions denouncing the Chicago "steal" that navigation and harbor rights of the lake States and the treaty rights of Canada would have due regard in any legislation enacted by him for the diversion of water was all that could be expected. The Lake-to-Lake measure by which Chicago hopes to obtain official sanction to continue its theft has not yet come before either House of Congress, as the President pointed out. He could not be expected, therefore, to disclose his attitude on legislation which has not been submitted to the House. If Canada's rights are respected, as the head of the United States Government declares they will be, an end will be put to diversion of lake water by Chicago. The case for the Dominion is so good, and that for Chicago is so lame and vicious, that any honest determination of it must terminate the fraud which is now being committed. But it is inconceivable that the rights and interests, not of Canada alone, but of the great wheat-growing areas of the Western United States, should not—and should not in themselves—be sufficiently powerful with Congress and with the President, to give assurance of the suppression of this evil at Chicago.

WORDS OF WISE MEN

Procrastination brings loss, delay danger. —Erasmus.
Nothing is more simple than greatness; indeed, to be simple is to be great. —Emerson.
Rivers are roads that move and carry us whither we wish to go. —Pascal.
There are robberies that leave man or woman forever beggared of peace and joy. Set-kept secret by the surface. —George Eliot.

BOARD OF TRADE FORMED IN SAANICH

Well Attended Meeting Marks Inauguration of New Organization

The Saanich Board of Trade was launched Saturday evening at a successful initial meeting attended by representatives of the Victoria Chamber of Commerce and the Sidney Board of Trade. Over fifty persons from Saanich, Brentwood, Saanichton and other districts present agreed to enroll in the membership of the new group, which will co-operate with similar organizations on the southern end of Vancouver Island.

With the recent formation of the Malahat Board of Trade the southern part of the Island is now organized with groups formed for development and mutual discussion on problems affecting their respective districts.

B. C. Nicholas, vice-president of the Victoria Chamber of Commerce, George I. Warren, W. H. Dawes, J. J. White and C. C. Cochran addressed the gathering.

The support and co-operation of the Victoria Chamber of Commerce was promised by Mr. Nicholas. George I. Warren, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, explained details of organization and the problems that the new board might have to deal with.

W. H. Dawes promised the support of the Sidney Board of Trade. Speakers pointed to the value of a representative organization which could be summoned together to consider affairs of interest to its district, and spoke of the beneficial results of co-operation with similar groups in neighboring sections of the Island.

Ex-Alderman W. B. Andrews, H. O. Wallace, H. P. Hope, of Brentwood College, J. E. Sladen, J. W. Sluggert and others spoke during the course of the evening. E. Harding was chosen as permanent secretary of the board, but the election of other officers was postponed until the next meeting of the new group.

A committee composed of Rev. M. Bruce, W. O. Wallace, T. S. Buckle, E. Harding and W. W. Duncan was appointed to look after the affairs of the club. The meeting was held in the West Saanich Women's Institute Hall, Brentwood, and was attended by over one hundred persons.

Health and Disease

PUBLIC COMFORT STATIONS

The modern public comfort station may be thought to be a luxury, but it is really one of the first necessities of our civilization.

The need for these conveniences must be apparent to all, as neglect of the exercise of the proper habits of our countrymen, not only with discomfort, but with serious consequences.

In the past it has been the practice, probably from a false sense of modesty, to establish these stations in out-of-the-way corners where they are difficult to find. They have often been so situated that many people would consider that they were taking their lives in their hands to enter them at night.

So, far from being a matter of shame, comfort stations should be situated and so lighted that they cannot escape notice. They should be furnished with every convenience for the toilet and should be open day and night. An attendant should be constantly on duty to ensure cleanliness and order, and to inspire a feeling of confidence in the would-be patrons.

The City of Vancouver has only three up-to-date stations, other than those at the parks and beaches. In a great measure, the public has to depend upon the courtesy and generosity of the hotel and shopkeepers who, at considerable expense, maintain conveniences for public use. These stores, however, are not available on Sundays and holidays.

In this respect the centre of the city is well provided for. These conveniences, however, are lacking in the outlying districts—especially at important junctions and main arteries where stations could be established and would be well patronized.

A very regrettable feature is the abuse to which the public comfort stations are frequently subjected. Lack of cleanliness and wilful destruction of property is very noticeable. Co-operation on the part of all citizens is necessary to the proper enjoyment of public comfort stations.

THE B.C. MEDICAL ASSOCIATION

Canadian Questions and Answers
"E. BARRINGTON"
Q. Who is "E. Barrington"?
A. "E. Barrington" is a well-known pen name of the author of "The Divine Lady," "The Chaste Diana," "The Glorious Apple," and other widely-read books of semi-fiction based on historic characters. She has also written much on the East where she lived for many years and which she has described so vividly. For many years her identity was a secret which has only recently been made known.

MANITOBA'S INDUSTRIES

Q. What is the extent of Manitoba's industries?
A. Evidence of the steady growth of Manitoba's industries is indicated by the fact that capital invested in the manufacturing of the province rose from \$88,779,517 in 1922, to \$92,426,674 in 1923, while the number of establishments increased from 781 to 803 according to figures published by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics. The number of wage earners increased from 3,713 in 1922, to 3,827 in 1923, and in the latter year, \$12,516,295 was paid out in wages. The net value of products manufactured in 1923 was \$41,481,433, an increase of \$25,922 over the preceding twelve months, while the gross value was \$97,334,531.

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MORE ALBERTA COAL WANTED IN ONTARIO

Toronto, Feb. 22.—If the Canadian National Railways will continue the movement of Alberta coal under the present arrangement, the Ontario Government will pay one-third of the out-of-pocket costs in excess of \$7 a ton, if the Federal and Alberta Governments will each pay one-third also. Hon. G. Howard Ferguson, Premier of Ontario, stated in a telegram sent to Premier King, "The arrangement is suggested so that the movement of Alberta coal will not be held up pending the hearing of the Alberta and Nova Scotia coal rates case by the Railway Commission. The Premier states Ontario consumers are in urgent need of an immediate supply of coal."

Premier Ferguson's telegram was as follows: "I understand that pursuant to the Order-in-Council passed by the Federal Government on the application of the Ontario and Alberta Governments for an investigation of coal rates from Alberta and Nova Scotia, the Railway Board has fixed the hearing for late in April. Any order made at such a hearing will be too late to be of value in relieving the coal shortage in Ontario. If the National Railways will, pending the hearing, continue the movement of coal under the present arrangements with the Provincial Government, the Ontario Government will pay one-third of the out-of-pocket costs in excess of \$7 a ton if the Federal and Alberta Governments will each pay one-third. It is urgent that Ontario consumers have an immediate supply."

"I feel sure you will agree it is important to encourage the development and use of Canadian resources and retain the money in Canadian channels. I would appreciate an early reply."

The WEATHER

Daily Bulletin Published by the Meteorological Department

Victoria, Feb. 22.—5 a.m.—The barometer is lowest over Northern B.C. and rain has been general southward to California. The weather is generally from the Coast to Alberta.

Reports
Victoria—Barometer, 29.94; temperature, maximum yesterday, 45; minimum, 32; wind, 12 miles S.; rain, .08; weather, raining.
Vancouver—Barometer, 29.92; temperature, maximum yesterday, 46; minimum, 36; wind, 8 miles S.E.; rain, .60; weather, fair.
Kamloops—Barometer, 29.72; temperature, maximum yesterday, 44; minimum, 38; wind, 4 miles E.; rain, trace; weather, clear.

Prince Rupert—Barometer, 29.56; temperature, maximum yesterday, 44; minimum, 30; wind, calm; rain, .76; weather, raining.
Esteron Point—Barometer, 29.80; temperature, maximum yesterday, 50; minimum, 38; wind, 12 miles S.W.; rain, .72; weather, fair.
Tatoosh—Barometer, 29.88; temperature, maximum yesterday, 48; minimum, 38; wind, 23 miles S.W.; rain, .86; weather, raining.

Portland, Ore.—Barometer, 30.10; temperature, maximum yesterday, 50; minimum, 42; wind, 10 miles S.W.; rain, .22; weather, fair.
Seattle—Barometer, 29.98; temperature, maximum yesterday, 50; minimum, 38; wind, 20 miles S.; rain, .10; weather, fair.
San Francisco—Barometer, 30.20; temperature, maximum yesterday, 58; minimum, 48; wind, 8 miles N.E.; rain, .01; weather, raining.

London—Temperature, maximum yesterday, 40; minimum, 35; snow, 2.

Temperature
Max. Min.
Victoria 46 39
Vancouver 46 36
Barkerville 46 34
Penticton 46 34
Swift Current 34 14
Weyburn 34 14
Medicine Hat 30 14
Edmonton 24 7
Moose Jaw 24 7
Winnipeg 10 0
Toronto 24 6
Ottawa 6 6
Montreal 6 6
St. John 10 6
Halifax 12 6

OLD COUNTRY RUGBY

London, Feb. 22 (Canadian Press Cable).—Rugby Union games played over the week-end and reported to-day.

Chatham Services 15, U.C.S. Old Boys 31.
Old Millhills 15, Middlesex Hospital 9.
Northampton 6, Bedford 4.
Fulham Park 34, Sale 5.
Liverpool University 11, Liverpool 4.
Old Edwardsians 14, Waterloo 6.
Edinburgh University 6, West Scotland 9.
Hawick 22, Melrose 6.
Selkirk 10, Gala 10.
Greenock Wanderers 10, Kelvin-side 9.
Bridge End 8, Bryncesth 8.
Treorchy 3, Pontypridd 6.
Mountain Ash 13, Glamorgan 12.
Old Alleynians 27, R.M.C. 3.
R.F.A. 4, London Irish 36.
Rugby 6, London University 6.
Cinderford 14, Newcastle 6.
West of Scotland 23, Glasgow 10.
Headingley 3, Bradford 5.
Northern 3, Manchester 3.
Queens University 12, North Ireland 11.

FOUL BAY RUMMAGE

A rummage sale is to be held by the Foul Bay Athletic Association, at all residents of Foul Bay district which wish to donate any articles are asked to get in touch with Percy Payne, phone 742K.

LOW FIRE COST

Adding an undisputed record to its phenomenally low fire cost of last year loss through fire in Victoria in January this year totaled only \$121. There were fifteen alarms in six of which fire damage was done, thus giving an average of about \$20 per fire for the month. Insurance to the extent of \$105 was paid on the loss. The total value of improvements in the city is in excess of \$27,966,540, that sum being the assessed value of taxable improvements not including exemptions. Last year for the twelve month period the fire loss of the city was \$40,952, or about \$1 per capita.

Australia Will Not Send Team in Quest of the Davis Cup

Melbourne, Feb. 22.—The Australian lawn tennis authorities have decided not to compete for the Davis Cup this year.

MacSmith Will Not Seek British Title

Miami, Fla., Feb. 22.—MacDonald Smith, holder of the Western open and the North and South open golf titles, will not compete in the British open championship tournament this year, but would concentrate on annexing the American open title in July, he announced to-day.

Smith, who is here enjoying a brief rest with his brother, Alex. Smith, also a well known professional, was a strong contender in the British meet last year and finished in third place after suffering an unexpected reverse.

Amateur Hockey

Calgary, Alta., Feb. 22.—Winnipeg is to be the scene of the junior hockey championship finals again this winter, according to the official draw announced by Dr. F. F. Sandcock, vice-president of the Canadian Amateur Hockey Association.

The Alberta champions will go to Saskatoon for the western semi-final on March 8 and 10. The winner of that draw will go to Winnipeg to meet the Manitoba champions on March 12 and 15. The Dominion championship final will be played on March 17 and 19 at Winnipeg.

A revised draw for the Allen Cup series has been announced by Dr. Sandcock, but no material changes are made. The following is the revised draw:

March 8 and 10—Alberta and British Columbia champions meet at Vancouver.
March 9 and 11—Manitoba and Saskatchewan champions meet at the home of Saskatchewan champions.

March 13 and 15—Winners of the two draws shown above meet on Regina or Winnipeg ice.
March 17 and 19—Winners of the last mentioned draw meet the Thunder Bay champions on Thunder Bay ice.

Calgary, Feb. 22.—Regina Patricia's received their third straight setback in this vicinity when they took the short end of the 6 to 2 score at Camrose Saturday night.

Duluth, Minn., Feb. 22.—Duluth retained third place in the Central Hockey League by holding the Winnipeg Maroons to a 3 to 2 tie here Saturday night. Duluth began with a rush and had the Maroons on the small end of a 2 to 0 score at the end of the first period. The Maroons came back in the second to tie the score. In the third period each team scored once and the usual overtime was without result.

Winnipeg, Feb. 22.—The Canadian Soo Greyhounds made their last appearance here for the season, Saturday night, and gave the Millers a spectacular trimming, 7 to 2. It was the worst defeat suffered by the league-leading Minneapolis sextette this season. The Soo opened up with a sensational attack and skated and back-checked like champions.

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Lord Oxford Replies to Statements of British Liberal Secessionists

London, Feb. 22 (Canadian Press Cable). With reference to the resignation of Sir Max Murrat, ex-M.P., former lord mayor of Liverpool, from the Liberal Party, Sir Max declares his secession has nothing to do with the position of Liberalism in the country generally, although one can not be a Conservative locally and a Liberal nationally, as he puts it. Sir Max, who was incited by The Liverpool Daily Courier recently in a group of five Liberals, besides Commander Hilton Young, M.P., who had seceded from the Liberal Party because of Lloyd George's land policy, says he thinks Lloyd George has pushed his land scheme too rapidly.

YOUNG LEAVES PARTY

Commander Young, Liberal member for Norwich, a barrister of the Inner Temple and Financial Secretary to the Treasury in 1921 and 1922, who has resigned from the Liberal Party, unlike Sir Alfred Mond, the first of the prominent secessionists from Liberalism, does not offer his allegiance to the Conservatives right away, but prefers for the time being to assume an independent position.

Lord Oxford and Aquilith, replying to Commander Young's letter of resignation said: "I am unable to discover in the land scheme as it emerged from the official of free discussion anything tending in a Socialist direction."

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Liverpool Courier's list of five secessionists from the Liberal Party included Lady Murrat, Mrs. F. C. Wilson, J. M. Griffiths and Edward West, all members of the Liverpool City Council.

MONSEN BEST JUMPER

Montreal, Feb. 22.—Rolf Monsen of the Brattleboro Outing Club and formerly of the Montreal Club, won the Quebec ski jumping championship here on Saturday, beating a field of forty-four.

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Gordon Chiffon Hose, made from the best quality pure silk, heels and toes made with extra heavy splicing; shown in gunmetal, black, French nude, sunset, moonlight, gold, orchid, Russia calf and mauve taupe. A pair **\$3.00**
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English Printed Bed-
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All Pure Wool Blankets, made from high grade yarns, snow white with blue borders. Thoroughly shrunken. Sizes 56x76. Real bargains at, a pair **\$8.75**

Pure Wool Yorkshire Blankets, woven from very high grade yarns, plain white or with blue borders. Sizes 72x90. Regular \$16.75, on sale for **\$12.75**

Grey Blankets, a nice shade of silver grey with blue borders; good reliable line for home of camp use. Sizes 58x78, at **\$6.50**
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Heavy Grade Blankets with red stripe borders, 72x90 size. Bargains at, each **\$3.00**
—Blankets, Main Floor

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DAMASKSAt Lower Prices for Home Furnishings
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Damask, 50 inches wide, genuine Sundour fabric, with blue or black grounds. On sale, a yard **\$3.95**

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Wilton Rugs, 6ft. 9 x 9ft. English made, have fringed ends in good designs. Regular price, each \$56.00, for **\$37.50**

Wilton Rugs, 9ft. x 9ft., fine grade, pleasing colorings and designs. Regular price \$75.00, for **\$50.00**

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Seamless Wilton Rugs, 9ft. x 10ft. 6. A handsome, one-piece rug. Regular price \$120.00, for **\$75.00**
—Carpets, Second Floor

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Special Values For February Sale

All Pure Linen Damask Cloths and Napkins in ivy leaf design, fine satin finish, in all sizes—

36x36, at **\$1.75** 72x72, at **\$6.75**
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Pure Irish Linen Damask Cloths, a beautifully fine woven cloth in stripe, shamrock and regency and lily designs. Will launder and give wonderful service.

72x72 size, at **\$7.50** Napkins to match, 22x22 size, on sale for, a dozen **\$10.50**

72x90 size, at **\$9.95**

72x108 size, at **\$12.50**

Pure Irish Linen Damask Napkins in grapevine design, a reliable grade, 20x20 size, on sale for, a dozen **\$5.75**

Pure Irish Fully Bleached Damask Cloths in dice design, a finely woven cloth suitable for regular use, 64x64 size, at **\$1.75**

Special line of fully bleached Damask Table Cloths in grapevine and stripe design, for regular use, 72x72 size, at **\$3.75**
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THE DUMBBELLS
"CAPT. PLUNKETT'S"
THREE BAGS FULL
Springtime Revue of 1926
ALL NEW
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ROSS HAMILTON
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EVENINGS 55c to \$2.20
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SEAT SALE WEDNESDAY, MARCH 3 MAIL ORDERS NOW

The W.S.A. Junior Rose Court will hold a children's St. Patrick's masquerade on Monday, March 15, in the new A.O.F. Hall, Cormorant Street, from 6 to 8.30 p.m. Excellent prizes have been secured. There will be good music and games will be played between the dances. The children are busy selling tickets, as a competition has been arranged under the leadership of Mrs. M. Stephen and Mrs. K. Schmelz. Tickets can also be secured at the Royal Dairy. The floor will be given over to the grown-ups at 8.30. Charlie Hunt's orchestra providing the music. Delicious refreshments will be served at both affairs.

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AT THE THEATRES

Dreams of Past In "Memory Lane"

John M. Stahl Production Showing Here Has Reminiscent Theme

The happy lane of memory, down which everyone travels in moments of reverie, is the theme of "Memory Lane," a John M. Stahl production. This week at the Capitol Theatre, Eleanor Boardman, Conrad Nagel and William Haines are featured.

Stahl's interpretation of memory is that in it we dream of things as they were, or as they might have been. We live our lives over—and more wisely. Hand in hand with those we love we again walk in the twilight of the past, casting aside our cares and living again in our joys.

A large cast supports the principal players. It is a Louis B. Mayer release through First National.

Musical Comedy of Hawaii and Richard Dix at the Coliseum

Popular Amusement House Again Offers Attractive Double Bill

A charming story of Hawaii, breathing with Hawaiian dancers and Hawaiian melodies bringing a spirit of brightness and humor comes to the Coliseum to-night in the presentation of the Grand Mogul. It is a delightful musical comedy with singing, dancing, comedy and all the essential features that make musical comedy popular. A special scenery has been painted. Wonderful costumes have been made. Will Marshall is the title role. "The Grand Mogul" and George Olsen in the Lord High Executioner team up in some excellent comedy and song numbers. Eva Hart is an Hawaiian girl. Ruth Hamilton a Jewish lady. Gladys Burton and Geo. Brydson are the niece and nephew respectively. On the screen there is another feature picture, Richard Dix in "The Shock Punch."

It is a Paramount picture, a screen version of the John Monk Saunders story, which ran in Liberty. Frances Howard is featured opposite the star. In "The Shock Punch," Dix is a young society fellow, who would rather trade punches with a real pug any day than with a course of training. He develops a devastating "shock punch," which lands on the point of the chin with lightning force.

Other big names in the supporting cast of the picture are "Gunboat" Smith, Walter Long and Paul Panzer.

Fox Attraction "The Fool" Will Show at Columbia

Channing Pollock's Romantic Melodrama Featuring Edmund Lowe

Channing Pollock, the gifted man who wrote "The Fool," now believes that the tremendous success attained by his masterpiece on the speaking stage will be surpassed by the film version, which was recently launched by William Fox at the Columbia Theatre, with Edmund Lowe as Daniel Gilchrist.

Mr. Pollock set a high mark for the stage when he penned "The Fool." This work was so far removed from the preconceived ideas of a stage "box-office winner" that some producers refused even to listen to it; others condemned it as "high-brow," and—others—said it wouldn't last two weeks on Broadway. Those who made the production did so in fear and trembling but soon ceased to tremble and rushed to the task of putting company after company upon the road; ten being engaged at one time in presenting this romantic melodrama in every city and town in the country. Ten weeks of a stage "box-office winner" that some producers refused even to listen to it; others condemned it as "high-brow," and—others—said it wouldn't last two weeks on Broadway. Those who made the production did so in fear and trembling but soon ceased to tremble and rushed to the task of putting company after company upon the road; ten being engaged at one time in presenting this romantic melodrama in every city and town in the country. Ten weeks of a stage "box-office winner" that some producers refused even to listen to it; others condemned it as "high-brow," and—others—said it wouldn't last two weeks on Broadway. Those who made the production did so in fear and trembling but soon ceased to tremble and rushed to the task of putting company after company upon the road; ten being engaged at one time in presenting this romantic melodrama in every city and town in the country.

The work of transferring the story to the screen was aided by Mr. Pollock in every stage of production.

Charleston Contest Opens at Dominion

Patrons of the Dominion will find much entertainment in the dancing contest staged nightly at the Dominion this week. Interest is running high among local dancing talent as to whom will be successful in winning the cash prizes awarded nightly. A large number of contestants have already entered and more are being enrolled daily. It is evident even at this early stage that keen rivalry will be displayed all through the contest. Prizes will be awarded by the audience—judging by their applause who they consider the winners. The contest will be staged in the evenings only.

An indignant convict asked to see the governor and demanded to be transferred to another cell. "What's the matter with the cell you have?" inquired the official. "It ain't the cell," replied the prisoner. "It's the feller I share it with."

"What has he done to you?" "Pulled the leaf off the calendar, an' it was my tural!"

AT THE THEATRES

Capitol—"Memory Lane."
Dominion—"What Happened to Jones?"
Coliseum—"The Grand Mogul."
Playhouse—"The Cattle Thief."
Columbia—"The Fool."

Music Night at Capitol Theatre

A. Prescott, leader of the Capitol Theatre orchestra, will present a special musical programme in conjunction with the presentation of the feature attraction, "Memory Lane." The programme will contain both light and classical numbers and should please all who take the opportunity to hear these selections.

Some of the numbers to be rendered during the evening are as follows: Three dances from Henry VIII, German; "Memory Lane," Baer; "Prisoner's Song," Massey; fox trot, "Kentucky's Way of Saying Good Morning," Van Alstyne; "You Forget to Remember," Berlin.

DUMBBELLS RETURN IN "THREE BAGS FULL"

Popular Entertainers Here Again March 5 and 6

The Dumbbells will offer their very latest and smartest revue, "Three Bags Full," at the Royal Victoria Theatre, on Friday and Saturday, March 5 and 6.

A pre-glance into each of the three bags, as each act is called, discloses some wonderful entertainment. For instance, the first bag contains such bright bits as "Jack" Holland's ditty of gay Paris. "Red" Newman's "Bit of a Devil" (in coster characterization), Al Plunkett's newest conception, "Huckleberry Blues," Ross Hamilton and the boys in "Romany Rose" with its picturesque gypsy setting, Stan Bennett's "Life on the Rolling Sea," Morley and novel sketch, entitled "Wow, Wow, Wow," and a Grand Opera finale with "Red" as the conductor.

Bag number two discloses Captain Plunkett and his orchestra in their latest and at their best. To many, this will be the greatest treat of all.

Bag number three is opened up by Ben Allen, and Ben always has good openers. A Russian quartette, with the same boys that made "Us Girls Must Have Our Fun," such a riot in "Lucky 7," follows on, then there is Al Plunkett's song "Italy Is the Place for Love," a Tango dance by Glen Allan and Ernie Watson, Plunkett's greatest comedy song "Mama's Gone a-Dancing," "Red" Newman's "Garbage Man," Stan Bennett's French soldier song, and a highly amusing sketch called "Herlock Sholmes," with "Red" as the great detective. Bag number three is finally shaken out for a finale of ten minutes of old-time minstrelsy, with "tambos," "bones," "interlocutor" and "jazz band."

"Three Bags Full" will provide a particularly suitable vehicle for the talents and versatility of the Dumbbells from March 5 to June, hence the subtitle, "A Springtime Revue."

Customer: "I don't quite know what I want, but it must be something suitable for a birthday present."

Shop Assistant: "Well, sir, we say we can supply anything from a pin to an elephant."

"Well, perhaps you could show me something between the two."

THE PLAYERS' CLUB OF THE VICTORIA COLLEGE

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"The Cattle Thief" Is Stage Setting by Hincks' Players

"Beggar on Horseback" Is Leading Screen Feature at The Playhouse

"The Cattle Thief," a western love story, will be the offering of the Hincks Players on the Playhouse stage this week. This playlet from the pen of Reginald Hincks is said to be one of his best productions, and local amusement lovers will thoroughly enjoy its presentation here. The leading screen feature is "The Beggar on Horseback," which

is the Cyclonic Comedy Classic of all times. Bill West is showing in his latest two-reel wide-splitting comedy, "West Is West."

The tale of "The Cattle Thief" concerns the doings on a ranch, which has been bequeathed by the owner at his death to the eldest of his two daughters. The new "boss" looks good to the neighboring rancher, who seeks her for his wife. She does not relish such prospects, however, and remains unmoved by his entreaties. He decides on a certain plan, with the ultimate object of forcing her to marry him. Along comes a hobo to the ranch, but instead of this person being a tramp he is a wealthy cattle buyer, disguised for a good purpose. How he defeats the unwelcome designs of the villain and wins "the boss" for himself is cleverly portrayed this week at the Playhouse.

The excellent cast includes Ernie Williamson, Vivien Combes, Marie Petch, Harold Bechtel, Regina Hugh, Broadman and Ellen Bennett.

Germaine Schnitzer

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Royal Victoria Theatre, To-night, at 8.30

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Never a bride who, looking forward, didn't wonder if some time, looking back, she would see memory lane through a wreath of smiles or see it only dimly, through tears.

Where the dawn of tomorrow kisses the dusk of yesterday, that's where memory lane begins....



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Capitol Comedy
"A CLOUDY ROMANCE"

All This Week

CAPITOL

At Usual Prices

"What Happened To Jones" Comedy Film at Dominion

Reginald Denny Here in Picturization of George Broadhurst's Famous Play

Trapped in a woman's Turkish Bath!

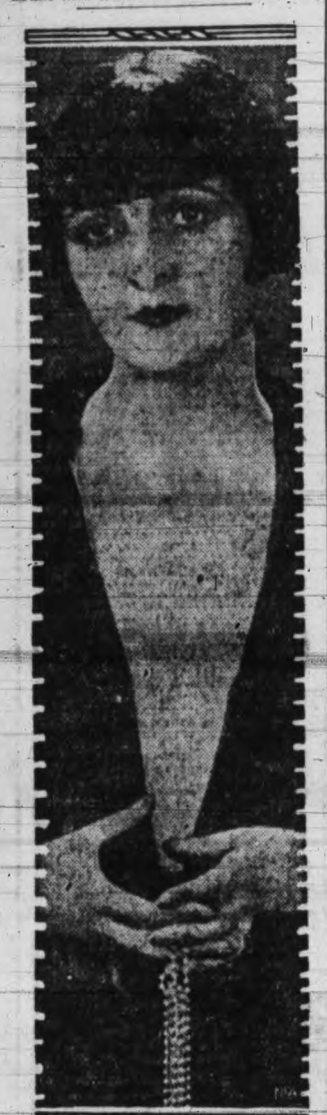
Fate played a cruel joke on Tom Jones, on the eve of his wedding to pretty Lucille Blythe, in the picturization of George Broadhurst's famous play, "What Happened to Jones," the new Universal Jewel, at the Dominion Theatre all this week.

Reginald Denny, king of farceurs, reaches the peak of his career in this picture, his latest starring vehicle, directed by William A. Selzer.

"What Happened to Jones," is a fast-moving comedy, crowded with situations from which Denny, as Tom Jones, get himself into unbelievable complications in his frantic efforts to escape the haven of half-dressed women. Starting with a harmless poker game and rising to one farcical climax after another, the poor hero is obliged to use all of his wits before he rights himself at the final fade-out.

His regeneration seems hopeless. Everything goes wrong. Forced to don various disguises, he is yet unable to throw the determined detectives off the scent. His sweetheart spurns him. His close friend, Ebenezer Goodly, is a blundering old chap, who forces Tom into situations that grow blacker and blacker as the picture progresses.

And Denny, whimsical and plaintive, is forced to undergo many trials and tribulations in this photoplay, the tempo of which is fast and continuous, with no let-up until the unusual and hilarious ending.



Lya de Putti, above, German film sensation, has just been signed to star in Paramount productions. And Andre Martelli, below, called "Germany's Valentino," arrived on this continent the other day to do leading roles for Cbs. Laemmle. There's no publicity yet as to how much they are to be paid.



A certain long-winded general had bored his listeners at a dinner with a speech dealing mainly with army statistics. Then the chairman proposed the health of the navy, and called upon an admiral to respond.

The admiral, mindful of the patience of the audience, and said:

"Gentlemen, in speaking for the navy, I need scarcely remind you that Admiral Drake is dead. Nelson, too, is gone, and I—er—I don't feel very well myself, so I'll sit down."



EDWARD EVERETT HORTON in the "Beggars on Horseback" at the Playhouse all this week

COLLEGE PLAYERS REHEARSING PLAY

Arnold Bennett's "Milestones" Will be Given February 26 and 27

The Victoria College Players' Club will present as their Spring play, Arnold Bennett's "Milestones." This is the second season of their activities, and though the club is young, it turned out an excellent play last year, and its members are hoping to make as great if not a greater success of this year's performance.

Members of the cast have been putting every atom of energy into the rehearsals, under the able direction of Mrs. Guy Goddard, and have been helped very considerably with advice and criticism by Miss Jeanette Cann, honorary president of the Players' Club, and professor of English at the Victoria College.

"Milestones" as a play has a very human attraction. Its main theme is marriage—its difficulties and desirability—and the question of a father's control over his children's wishes in this direction. The first act opens in 1860, the second takes place twenty-five years later in 1885, and the third and final act in 1912. The three parts of the play present a vivid contrast in customs and manners, and it is striking how the authority of the parents in the matter of marriage, wanes as the years go by.

The settings are all charming, and customs of three ages add yet another attraction to the long list. The performance is to take place

In the Victoria High School auditorium for two nights—February 26 and 27.



One Increasing Purpose, by A. S. M. Hutchinson.

The outstanding English novel of the season. The author of "It Winter Comes" shows the same skill in characterization and humor as in the story that made him famous, but in this narrative he has chosen a religious theme, the quest of humanity for a faith that will satisfy. The hero of the story, Simon Paris, is the youngest of three brothers. He comes back from the war unscathed and wonders for what special purpose his life was spared. The plot of the story has to do with his search for this purpose.

Suspense, by Joseph Conrad. This is the last work of one of the greatest novelists of our day. It is not a sea story, but a narrative of intense dramatic interest which centres around the character of Napoleon. The master died before he had finished the book.

The Great Pandolfo, by William Lock.

This is Mr. Locke's twenty-eighth novel. It is a good story well told, with an excellent plot and appealing characters. Sir Victor Pandolfo falls in love at first sight with Paula Field, a beautiful widow in her early forties. Pandolfo is a self-made man, an inventor. He has a very aggressive personality and Paula, who is of gentle birth, refuses to be swept off her feet by his energetic love making. Pandolfo has to go through deep waters; Paula also suffers much before they attain ultimate happiness.

Those Barren Leaves, by Aldous Huxley.

A characteristic story by the author of "Antic Hay." The characters in this story are chiefly interested in literature and art and ventiliate their peculiar opinions while guests of an English lady in her home in Italy. While the story is very cleverly written, it is unwholesome in tone and precious in style.

Paid With Thanks, by Ian Hay.

A novel in Ian Hay's happiest vein. It is a story of a heroic mother who, forsaken by a never-do-well husband, creates and keeps alive in her children's hearts a legend of their father's courage, high standards and nobility of character, and who, when he suddenly reappears on the scene, fights still to keep from them the knowledge that it is nothing but an illusion.

A Fountain Sealed, by Anne Douglas Sedgwick.

Anne Douglas Sedgwick is an exquisite writer, a penetrating reader



BARNEY OLDFIELD TAKES A WIFE—Barney Oldfield, famous auto race driver, and his bride, photographed as they sailed for Panama and Havana on their honeymoon.

of the human heart, and now, since the publication of her "Little French Girl," one of the most widely read of living authors, "A Fountain Sealed" was written several years before the war. It is a character study of three distinct types—a mother, an arrogant and heartless daughter and an honest and lovable man who reveals convincingly the girl's shallowness and the mother's selfishness.

Portrait of a Man With Red Hair, by Hugh Walpole.

Charles Percy Perkins of Baker, Oregon, U.S.A., goes to Cornwall for a holiday and encounters strange and terrifying adventures. The Shadow of a Wolf, by R. Austin Freeman.

Mr. Freeman, creator of the scientific detective, Dr. Thorndike, has given a new twist and a special interest to this story in which the reader, knowing all the facts, is able to watch the method of the investigator as he collects and acts upon them.

The Charwoman's Daughter, by James Stephens.

A new issue of the blithe Irish story of Mary and her mother in Dublin. This humorous narrative was a great success in England. Queen's Folly, by Stanley J. Weyman. A romance of the time when Lord Nelson was a popular hero. It tells of Rachel South's coming to Queen's Folly, the country house of Lord Ellingham, and of her adventures while governess to the unruly child, Lady Ann. Although her young charge is troublesome, Rachel's trials are occasioned largely through the jealousy of Lord Ellingham, because of the unsought and unwelcome at-

Veteran Youth, by Gorney Morris. The return of a "hero" to an England "made fit for heroes to live in." After accusing Gordon Leigh of the betrayal of a young girl, Sorminster turned its back upon him. But a strange relief comes to the broken-hearted patriot; through a war-scarp wound he loses his identity, disappears and, as M. Martin, is soon creating a sensation at Monte Carlo, where he nearly breaks the bank.

The other man's wife made a bad bargain and tried to break it.

The pretty country wife came to taste New York's joys. They were bitter.

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The Heart Drama That Stirred the World

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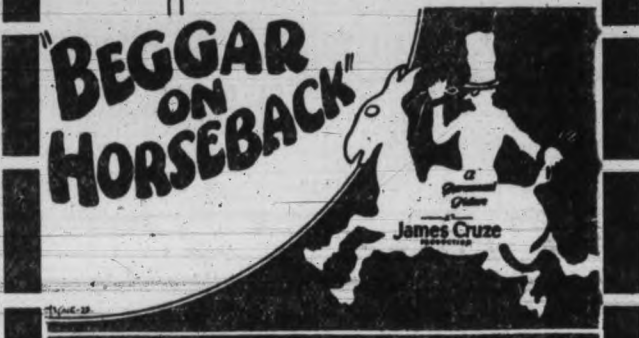
Later Leigh regains his identity through Dr. Carnac, who gave him a "perfect memory." It was this perfect memory which made the identification of Leigh by his friends almost impossible. For Mr. Martin spoke French like a native—a thing impossible to Leigh!

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This is One of Our Greatest Double Bills
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The steam room of a Ladies' Turkish Bath is no place for a bachelor but that's what happened to Denny in "WHAT HAPPENED TO JONES." It's the funniest comedy ever unreel—the cream of the season in unconfined joy. And you know DENNY.

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Adapted from George Broadhurst's Broadway Stage Success
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Charleston Contest
Cash Prizes Awarded to Winners Every Evening
WINNERS SELECTED BY POPULAR VOTE

U.S. Markets

Closed To-day

As this is Washington's birthday, all stock and commodity markets in United States are closed to-day.

Wall Street TO-DAY

Last Minute News on Stocks and Financial Affairs

New York, Feb. 22.—Barron's financial weekly in an editorial on the stock market outlook says that never were the averages harder to read than they are at present, and never was the temptation so strong to say nothing about them. The industrial made a high point in November, but the railroad stocks did not respond. The railroads made a high point on January 7 at 118.12, but in the meantime the industrial had reacted substantially and then advanced again, but without making a new high. A new high had been made then, would have been followed by a sharp break, and have indicated a resumption of the major bull movement, which has been in progress since October, 1923. The railroads reacted from 112.12 to 108.26 on January 21 and rallied to 113.36 on January 30, selling off subsequently. Here was another case of double tops, and the advance of the industrial to a new high of 160.53 did not confirm the bullish indication in the railroads on January 7 as might be superficially assumed. It required, but after a long advance, the railroad averages taking the bullish indication given in their "double top."

It has been the experience in writing these studies for something like twenty-five years, that it is much harder to call the turn at the bottom than at the top. After a long bear market the discrepancy between the average price and what may be assumed as the line of values on real earnings, dividend yield and the value of money, is easily apparent. But after a long advance, many stocks are selling on the hopes and possibilities, but some are selling well within proved value. Any may have possibilities by no means discounted. The market, moreover, perhaps because of the complexity of the situation and more truly because of the stability of the general prosperity predicted by the barometer, may hold within a relatively small distance from the top for an indefinite time. It might indeed be said that there are instances of nearly a year with a range not far from the top, before an aggressive bear market has been established.

It can hardly be said that the averages at the moment look convincingly bullish, and relatively small change in both of them would make them look decidedly bearish. The fluctuations at present are at least strikingly like those which have occurred in the past at the top of a long bull movement.

Canadian Egg

Prices Reported

Toronto.—Unchanged.
Montreal.—Jobbing fresh extra, 44c; first, 40c; second, 36c; extra extras, 34c; first, 28c; second, 24c.
Edmonton.—Jobbing fresh extra, 38c; first, 36c; second, 28c.
Vancouver.—Paying country points extra, 30c; first, 28c; jobbing extra, 28c; first, 26c; second, 24c and pullets, 22c.

Chicago.—Fresh spot, 26c; February, 26c; March, 24c; April, 23c; December refrigerator, 30c; New York, first, 31c to 32c; first, 30c to 31c; December refrigerator, 32c.

CAPILANO TIMBER

IS GIVEN TO CITIES

Government of British Columbia Makes Gift to Greater Vancouver Water Users

Board to Have Control Hereafter, Says the Minister of Lands

Vancouver, Feb. 22.—Announcement of a gift by the Province of British Columbia to the water users of Greater Vancouver made to-day by Hon. T. D. Pattullo, Minister of Lands, concludes the two-year public discussion of the Vancouver watershed question.

Mr. Pattullo announced that as a result of the people of Greater Vancouver having agreed to co-operate in a mutual administration of their water resources, the Government had decided to hand over to the Greater Vancouver Water Board the balance of the undeveloped timber in the Capilano and Seymour watersheds.

The area included in the gift bears about 25,000,000 feet of timber, the stumpage value of which is estimated at \$1,000,000 and if the timber were to be disposed of by the Government in the ordinary way it could be relied upon to yield not less than \$1,000,000 in stumpage rentals and royalties.

COOLIDGE BACK AT DESK AFTER SEVERE COLD

Washington, Feb. 22.—President Coolidge was back at his desk to-day, practically recovered from the cold which laid him out for several days last week.

WINNIPEG GRAIN

Winnipeg, Feb. 22.—With United States markets closed trading on the Winnipeg Grain Exchange to-day was of a dull character and showed no definite trend. Demand was lacking but, aided by stronger Liverpool cables prices held fairly steady. May and July futures closed 1/4 above Saturday's figures at 155 1/2 and 153 3/4, respectively. October was unchanged at 136 1/2.

A small business was worked on the dips but restricted offerings helped to sustain price levels.

All the coarse grain commodities held comparatively firm. Business volume was light. Apart from a light trade in the lower grades of cash wheat and coarse grains, these markets were at a standstill.

Winnipeg, Feb. 22 (By B. C. Bond Corporation's direct pit wire).—Wheat opened fractionally higher in sympathy with Liverpool. Buying was largely in the way of a short covering for American interests. A prominent local was a free seller. Offerings were heavy at all times and advance was soon lost. The market held within a narrow range, closing 1/4 higher for May. Foreign advice continues bearish and there was no evidence of export buying. Conflicting reports continue to be received regarding the quality of the Argentine crop. The action of the market was rather disappointing in view of the strength in Liverpool which closed 1 1/2 to 1 3/4 higher. Wheat meets heavy selling on all minor upturns and in view of the industrial export demand from foreign markets it would not be surprising if lower prices were experienced temporarily. Would await sharp breaks before making purchases.

Wheat	Open	High	Low	Close
May	154 1/2	155 1/2	154 1/2	155 1/2
July	153 1/2	154 1/2	153 1/2	154 1/2
Oct.	136 1/2	136 1/2	136 1/2	136 1/2
Barley	47 1/2	47 1/2	47 1/2	47 1/2
July	48 1/2	48 1/2	48 1/2	48 1/2
Oct.	48 1/2	48 1/2	48 1/2	48 1/2
Oats	62	62	61 1/2	61 1/2
July	63	63	62 1/2	62 1/2
May	208 1/2	210	208 1/2	209 1/2
July	211	212 1/2	211	212 1/2
Oct.	211	212 1/2	211	212 1/2
Rye	95 1/2	95 1/2	95 1/2	95 1/2
July	97	97	96 1/2	96 1/2
Oct.	97	97	96 1/2	96 1/2

Cash Prices
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"But I have no friends," she told herself pitifully. "There is no one who would come, even if I begged him to."

Tears of self pity filled to her eyes and overflowed helplessly down her cheeks.

She wiped them away, and tried with the crude conveniences of the jail to make a toilet of sorts. She washed her face and smoothed her hair with the aid of a scrap of mirror from her handbag. Then she changed her gown, putting on a fresh, crisp Summer frock which her maid had brought.

She looked very young and fair, almost a young girl, certainly not a murderer.

They told her that she must have a lawyer to defend her, for she was to be charged with the murder of Lawrence Hill. She thought at once of a man prominent in the legal world.

Gregory Thomas!

Yes, she thought, she would send for him; he had a brilliant record as a defense lawyer. She had never met him and she wondered if he would come, if he would accept the case of a woman who would have to confess herself to be almost without funds and friendless.

For surely, she could no longer expect her husband to provide for her. Manning, if he had not already begun action for divorce, as Hill had believed, would certainly do so now. She would then have nothing left but the house and the car to pay her legal fees.

She wondered if the whole story were blazoned in the newspapers that morning. They had refused to allow her to see a paper. Without books, with only her dreary thought for company, she passed through weary hours of waiting. Her wristwatch had stopped and she measured time

only by the slow waning of the sunlight across the stone floor of her cell.

Finally, just before sunset, Gregory Thomas came.

His keen, grey eyes swept her, catalogued her with a single glance. He took her hand and bent over it as gallantly as if they were in a drawing-room instead of a prison cell.

"You must forgive me for keeping you waiting so long, Mrs. Manning," he said. "I was busy at court, today and just received your message."

She smiled wanly.

"It was good of you to come at all," she offered him the camp stool, but he placed it for her and seated himself on the edge of the bunk.

He was a big man with broad shoulders and strong virile hands. His presence seemed fairly to fill the narrow cell and he gave the impression of extraordinary health and vigor, combined with a quality of sympathy and complete understanding which was most appealing to poor, tormented Charlotte. She liked his grey eyes, so keen and yet so kind. She felt that she could tell him the whole truth and that he would understand even the bitterest relationship which had existed between Hill and herself.

"Come, now, Mrs. Manning. Let's have the story. I know it's hard for you and I am deeply sorry, but I feel sure some terrible mistake has been made and we may have a lot of work and trouble before we can clear it up. So help me as much as you can, will you?"

Charlotte began her story of the grisly drama which had ended so tragically in her drawing-room the night before.

To be continued

SCOUTING ADVANCING IN BRITISH COLUMBIA

Rousing Speech Given by Provincial Commissioner

"Better scouting rather than numbers," is the chief need of scouting in British Columbia, was the point emphasized by Provincial Commissioner Ross Sutherland, speaking at the banquet of the Victoria District Boy Scouts' Association at the Dominion Hotel on Saturday evening.

The dinner, an annual affair, was held in conjunction with the occurrence of the Chief Scout, Sir Robert Baden-Powell's birthday next Tuesday.

Mr. Sutherland pointed to the brilliant progress scouting had made in this Province in the last year and referred to letters from Dominion Commissioner Dr. Robertson and J. A. Styles, who state that scouting in British Columbia has made more rapid strides than in any other province and that last year's report from B.C. was the best ever received at Dominion headquarters.

Many interesting stunts, speeches and songs were included in the varied

programme presented by the scouts and cubbers in attendance at the dinner.

The toasts, "the King" and "the Chief," proposed by the chairman, D. C. Ravenhill, opened the programme followed by a few remarks from Secretary J. C. Anthony and a "yell" led by him.

D. C. Ravenhill then gave a brief outline of the work of the city association and announced the awarding of the challenge banner to the James Bay Troop. Miss Mara, the Deputy Provincial Commissioner of the Girl Guides, drew the attention of the meeting to the fact that next Tuesday is also the birthday of the chief guide, Lady Baden Powell.

SONGS AND STUNTS

Among the stunts and songs given were: "Green Grow the Rushes Oh" led by Scoutmaster Cecil Frampton; "Three Wood Pigeons" by Scouters MacArthur, Hartley and

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Wilkinson, a Shakespearean recitation by C. W. Dixon, together with various novelties by the Blue Grouse, the Akela Study Circle, the Executive, the Seagulls, the Lady Cubbers and the Owls.

SCOTTISH SCOUTING
Walter Scott, lately of Glasgow, gave a short talk on "Scouting and Guiding in Scotland" and he also stressed Mr. Sutherland's point of efficiency in scouting, before numbers.

CUBMASTER HONORED
A fine tribute was paid to Lady Cubmaster, Dorothy G. Hillard, who is to be awarded a medal of merit in grateful recognition of the faithful and helpful service rendered to the Wolf Cub movement in Victoria. Miss Hillard has been associated with the Wolf Cub movement for some years and her inability, owing to sickness, to attend the banquet in order to receive the medal was keenly regretted.

The singing of "Auld Lang Syne" drew an interesting evening to a close.

The officials and guests present were: District Commissioner H. T. Ravenhill, Provincial Commissioner Ross Sutherland, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Dixon, Mrs. Stark, Mr. Washington, Miss Mara, deputy provincial commissioner of Girl Guides, Colonel

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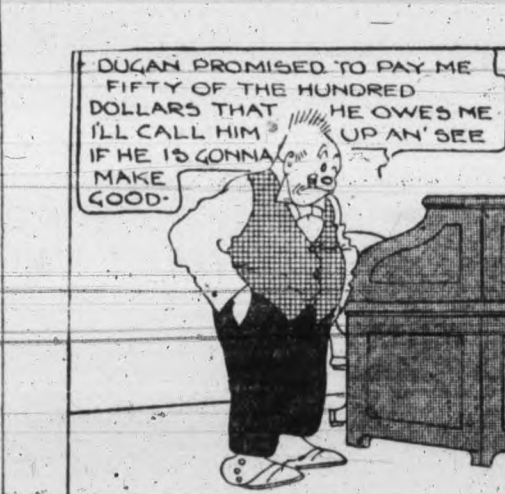
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NO ELECTION DURING SUMMER OF 1926

Motherwell Says Next Federal Contest is Farther Away Than That

Toronto, Feb. 22.—Hon. W. R. Motherwell, Minister of Agriculture, in a speech before the Toronto Men's Liberal Association Saturday, explained the course followed by the King Government since the recent general election. Stating the outcome of the poll was such as to make it the duty of the administration to stay in office, he declared that by following of such a policy, constitutional practice had been vindicated and the right of the majority in the House of Commons, and not of the largest group, clearly ascertained.

Mr. Motherwell stated the Liberal and Progressive Parties in Ottawa were being thrown together by Conservative tactics and that their cooperation would indefinitely postpone another election.

"The situation in Ottawa has not

changed since before the election," Mr. Motherwell said. "The electors clearly indicated they wanted another trial of the group system and it is only right it should be given."

VERY DISAPPOINTED

Following the vote, he continued, the Conservatives had expected to be called to office and as a result of their disappointment were now holding up the business of the country by their obstructionist moves, in the House of Commons. Each time they forced a division, however, their vote was decreasing and Liberal and Progressive ranks were being more closely consolidated. Consequently, he did not expect there would be another Federal election for some time, and probably not during the coming Summer.



AT PALM BEACH — Miss Beryl Holley introduces the bathing suit devotees.

Irish Radio Man Has Great Success

Belfast, Feb. 22.—Direct wireless telephonic communication with Australia, a distance of 12,000 miles, was established last night by Frank Neil, an amateur of Whitehead, near this city. The test lasted fifteen minutes and the voice of a Melbourne citizen named Huxford could be distinctly heard. The wave length used was 35 metres.

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T. D. CAVEN, FORMER MEMBER, IS DEAD

Represented Cranbrook in the Legislature For Two Terms; Succumbs in Vancouver

Thomas Donald Caven, one of the best known Conservative politicians of interior British Columbia, died in Vancouver late Saturday after a brief illness. His death drew expressions of regret from politicians of all parties to-day as the former member of the Legislature for Cranbrook had a wide circle of friends, not only among Conservatives but among political opponents.

CRANBROOK PIONEER

Mr. Caven lived in Cranbrook since the early days, being a pioneer of that region. Recently he retired from the service of the Canadian Pacific Railway and came to live in Vancouver. He represented Cranbrook in the Legislature from 1909 to 1916, when he was defeated in the Liberal landslide which swept the Province then. He entered the contest of 1903 in Cranbrook but was defeated by Hon. J. H. King, who entered the Legislature at that time and who is now Minister of Public Works in the Federal Government. Mr. Caven was elected over Dr. King in 1909 and returned by acclamation in the poll of 1912. He was defeated in 1916 and again in 1920.

FALL FAIR WILL BE GREATEST IN CITY'S HISTORY

B.C. Agricultural Association Has Plans For Tremendous Exhibition

The plans already under way for the annual Fall Fair to be held here August 16 to August 21, indicate that this event will be the greatest in the history of the city. According to statements from those associated with the British Columbia Agricultural Association, in charge of the big exhibition, the many special features of the fair will make it outstanding. It will be bigger, more interesting and generally of higher calibre than those of former years.

The plans for the giant fair will be discussed Thursday, when the B.C. Agricultural Association holds its annual meeting at the City Hall. Directors of the various sections of the fair will be appointed, and a meeting of the advisory board of the association will be held immediately following their selection.

A remodeling of the main fair grounds, building has been planned for this year, the lack of accommodation in this structure for the display of agricultural and horticultural products having long been felt.

BIG CARNIVAL

A big carnival, for size and gorgeousness never rivalled in this city, is being planned for the fair week according to a statement made recently by W. H. Morris, Levee, Brown and Huggins of San Francisco have accepted an offer to put on their regular carnival show here. Their show comprises fifteen carloads of property.

Last year's fair was the most successful from a financial standpoint that the B.C. Agricultural Association ever staged in Victoria, and for the first time in history this association paid to the municipality of Oak Bay its annual taxes, which amounted to \$2,470. Previously the city of Victoria always called upon to pay the taxes on the Willows Exhibition Grounds.

This year it is expected that Sooke, Alberni, Saanich and Richmond will all have a part in the Victoria exhibition. There may be other districts desirous of entering the exhibition. At any rate there will be a big outside exhibit here this year than has ever before been the case.

WHIPPET RACES AND A BIG DOG SHOW

will feature the 1926 fair. Horse races will be held at the Willows during the fair week.

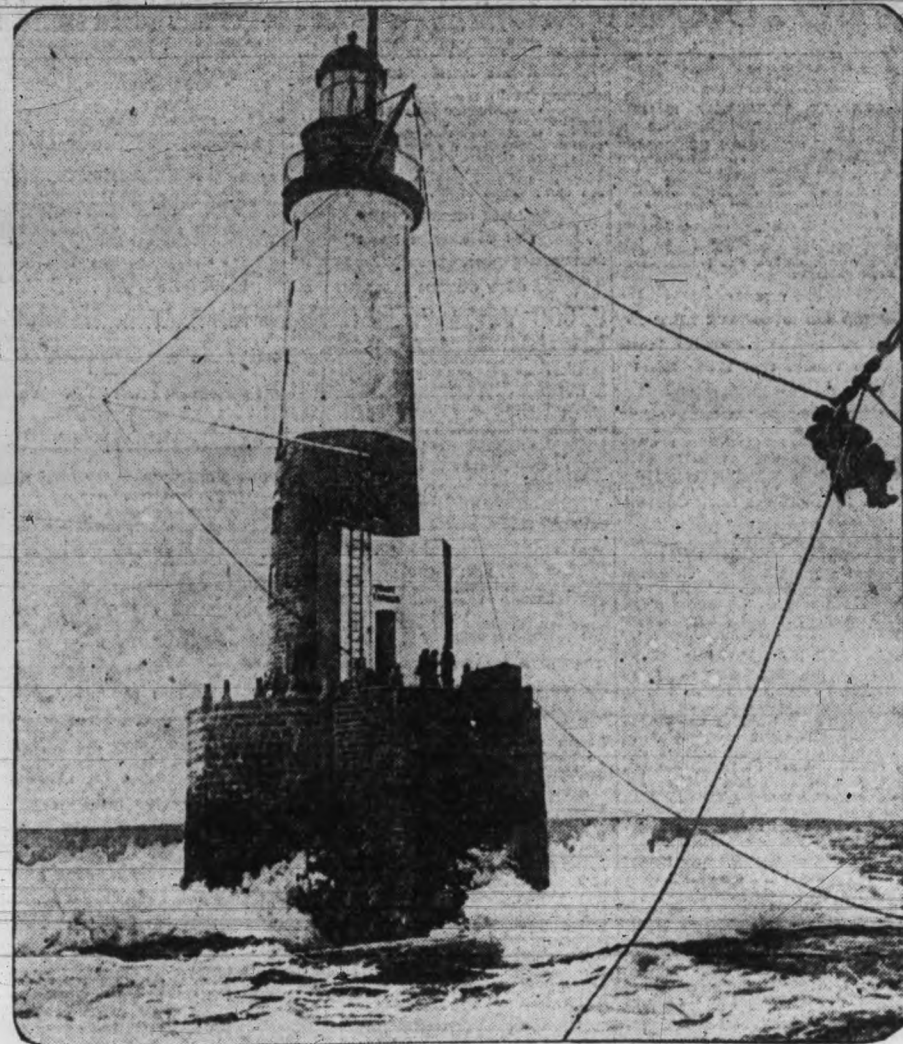
A special fire fighting exhibit had been arranged, the B.C. Agricultural Association announced recently, and the sensational rescue of a man from the top of a burning structure, livestock, automobiles, machinery, rabbits, fox, home products, agriculture, women's displays and a dozen other exhibits, all of which have been features of the past, are being increased and added to this year.

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VICTORIA PRESBYTERY MEETS TO-MORROW

Fifty Ministers and Laymen of Vancouver Island Meet

Church Union Making Fine Progress Reports Show

The second regular meeting of the Victoria Presbytery will convene on Tuesday, February 23, at 8 p.m., in First United Church. The chairman, Rev. W. G. Wilson, D.D., will preside. The Presbytery consists of fifty ministers and an equal number of lay representatives, comprising the territory of Vancouver Island and the islands adjacent thereto. The Presbytery has in these boundaries seventy congregations with a membership of 2,334 and almost as large a number of adherents.

IMPORTANT SUBJECTS

Important matters will come before the Presbytery, among which will be the reports of committees on social service, evangelism, maintenance funds, missions, education, settlement of ministers, and the consideration of several other matters concerning the work of the churches within the Presbytery.

The Presbytery will also consider the desirability of changing the date of the meeting of the annual conference from September, as now arranged to the month of May. The success of the financial campaign for \$35,000 toward the 14,000,000 being raised by the United Church of Canada by March 31 seems quite sure of attainment, both in the Victoria Presbytery and in the conference, the quota for the conference being \$175,000.

UNION ADVANCES

Church union throughout Canada is progressing in a manner far beyond the expectations of the most sanguine. Already thirty-four churches that did not enter the union on June 10, 1925, have since that time made application to enter the United Church of Canada, while the 160 ministers of the former Presbyterian Church, who were put out of their pulpits because their congregations refused to accede to the conclusions of the Assembly to unite with the other churches to form the United Church have all been placed in positions by the United Church committee on settlement of ministers.

The Commission appointed by the General Council to draft a policy for the future administration of the United Church of Canada will hold final sessions in March in Toronto and base on their conclusions to the General Council, which meets in Montreal on June 10, 1926. Members of the commissions from this Province are Rev. Dr. A. E. Mitchell of Vancouver, Rev. Dr. W. J. Sippell of Victoria, Mr. Judge Swanson of Kamloops and Mr. J. W. Jones, M.P.P. of Kelowna.

Among the British Columbia delegates to the General Council from Victoria Presbytery are Rev. W. G. Wilson, Rev. Dr. J. Stewart, Rev. Dr. A. K. McMillan, R.A. and Messrs. Arthur Lee and W. E. Harper, M.A. Rev. T. Albert Moore, D.D., secretary of the General Council of the United Church, and Rev. Dr. A. McLachlan, both of Toronto, met a number of ministers and representative laymen of the United Church in Victoria on Friday afternoon. Mr. Moore spoke of the success of the union movement throughout Canada, and Dr. Moore addressed the gathering on the subjects of prohibition, evangelism and church administration. Both of these gentlemen were enthusiastic in their expressions

of assurance as to the growing success of church union.

TO VISIT ENGLAND

Dr. Moore has been commissioned to visit the Methodist Churches of England during the Summer to convey to them greetings from the United Church of Canada, and to assure them that the union has in no way departed from the traditions of the mother churches.

Rev. S. D. Chown, D.D., the general superintendent of the former Methodist Church, has been requested by the Methodist Churches of England to deliver addresses in England during the Summer at the two hundredth anniversary of the presentation of a fellowship to Rev. John Wesley, M.A.

CANADIANS ALL

I. In our broad land must be no place for racial strife to show the face, Or jealousy our hearts enthrall; For we should be, From sea to sea, Canadians all.

II. But though your Native Land be fair It lacks a something in the air— A soul to sound a nation call. This shall not be, From sea to sea, A soul set free, Canadians all.

III. The Soul of Nationality, In sovereign reality, To bind both great and small; Then we shall see, From sea to sea, In unity, sincerity, In unity, in verity, Canadians all.

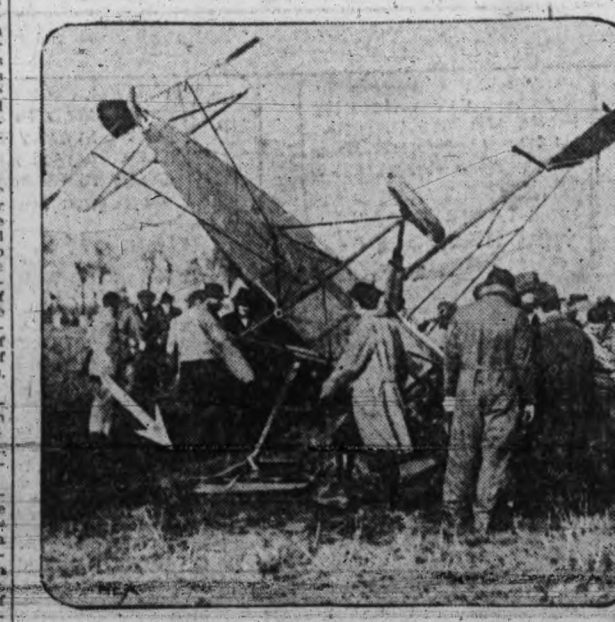
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IRISH BY-ELECTION

Dublin, Feb. 22.—The loss suffered by the Free State Government on Friday, when a Laborite defeated the Government candidate in a by-election in County Dublin, was offset Saturday by a victory in another by-election at Leitrim, where James Dwyer, Government candidate, was elected by 19,845 votes over Art O'Connor, Republican, 18,523.

The vacancy was due to the unseating of the Republican, Sean McGuinness, who had been under arrest and made a dramatic escape from Mountjoy Prison.



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And William B. Ward, Now Head of Gigantic Corporation is Only Forty-one Years of age

WILLIAM B. WARD was driving a bread wagon some eighteen years ago. Now he is head of what is on paper, at least, the largest corporation in America. They call him the "bread king."

Ward was heralded as a new type of philanthropist when chartering of this concern was announced recently. The charter provided that a portion of the profits might be used for welfare work.

Then from Washington, the corporation was heralded as a gigantic "trust."

Back to Belfast, Ireland, runs the story of Ward's rise, back through three generations to the days when his grandfather was a baker's apprentice, "bound out" to learn the trade.

"GET UP!"

The grandfather was Hugh Ward. He came to America and started on Broome Street in New York City a bakery from which the present industrial eminence of William B. Ward sprang.

There is secrecy in New York about William B. Ward's financial enterprises. But they started with daily deliveries from a bread wagon to merchants and housewives in Pittsburgh, Cleveland and Boston. The wagon was pulled by horses, not by gasoline. And Ward was the driver.

Ward was born in Pittsburgh. His father was Robert B. Ward, son of Hugh Ward.

The gold rush of '49 figures in the story. Hugh Ward left New York for the gold fields, but at Pittsburgh his money ran out. And there he went back into the baking business.

Robert B. Ward inherited the industry. And he set William B. Ward to work to learn the bread business from the bottom up.

"Why," wondered William B. Ward, as he drove his bread wagon, "is bread delivered only once a day?"

DELIVERS IT HOT

Out of his wondering grew two deliveries daily—hot bread—from all the plants the Wards had come to control.

Later he came to New York. There were swift upward steps for him in the Ward-controlled baking industry then.

Huge organizations of bakery interests came under his control. The Ward Food Products Corporation is the latest of these.

Six feet two inches in height, Ward is an outdoors man. At New Rochelle, a fashionable New York suburb, he has a 200-acre farm. He spends his leisure time there, raising cattle, chickens and ducks.

He is a trustee of the New Rochelle Methodist Episcopal Church. Not long ago a gift of \$100,000 and 1,000 acres of land by Ward to the Association for the Improvement of the Condition of the Poor was announced.

But "Charity has no place in my plans," Ward says. "The word is distasteful to me."

The charter of the Ward Food Products Corporation stipulates that after dividends on the common stock are paid, a portion of the net earnings "may be used in building hospitals, recreation grounds, and helping establish child welfare organizations."

He believes in tithing, his friends explain.

Potential capitalization of the Ward Food Products Corporation is placed by financiers at \$2,000,000,000.

ITS PURPOSE

Its charter would permit it to "perform any act permitted by law to the end that the American people may have and enjoy wholesome food at fair prices, and that every child may enjoy the right to be born well, reach adulthood well, and to grow to maturity fit mentally and physically for citizenship."

Virtually unknown to New York social and club circles until a few years ago, when the whole country are centered, Ward personifies the romance of modern business enterprise.

All because of a loaf of bread.

Girl Killed in Auto Accident

Oregon City, Ore., Feb. 22.—One girl was killed and three youths were injured seriously early yesterday when a sedan crashed head-on into a protecting fence one mile south of Clackamas. There were five men and one girl in the machine, all from Portland. Two of the men escaped injury.

Winnifred Phipps, Portland, died an hour and a half after the accident. Those injured were Russell Webb, twenty-one, Joe Cline, eighteen, and Carl Ross, seventeen, Welbridge, who was driving the car, was seriously hurt.

Woman is Accused of Poisoning Three Members of Family

New Orleans, La., Feb. 22.—Police today examined the bodies of three members of the family of Mrs. Lawrence Bussey in an effort to determine how they died. Mrs. Bussey is held in jail here without bond and her five-year-old daughter, Verdis, is at the point of



WILLIAM B. WARD

death from poison, which, police say Mrs. Bussey forced the child to eat.

Mrs. Bussey's husband and two of her three children died in the last eleven months. Mrs. Bussey maintains they died from natural causes. Physicians and county authorities reported Verdis told them before falling into a state of coma that her mother had forced her to eat a slice of bread with soap spread upon it.

Mrs. Bussey was married when sixteen years of age. Her husband was a New Orleans fireman. Investigation to-day revealed that he carried insurance totaling \$3,032 at the time of his death, April 3, 1925.

Clarence, three years old, died December 6, 1925, and Esther, aged six months, died January 1, 1926.

Man Wishes to See Son Before He is Executed

London, Feb. 22.—The London Daily Express says the notorious war-time spy, Tribich Lincoln, whose son, Ignatius, is to be executed March 2 for the murder of Edward Richards, a brewer's salesman, has cabled the authorities here from the Far East to "postpone the execution until my arrival."

The newspaper adds that although it is highly improbable the execution will be delayed, it is understood the question of admitting the father to England, if he returns, will be carefully considered.

Ignatius Lincoln, twenty-three, who was a bombardier in the royal Horse Artillery, was convicted of having, in company with a fellow soldier, Ian Stewart, waylaid Richards while the latter was on his way home Christmas Eve.

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Tells Rheumatism Sufferers to Take Salts to Get Rid of Toxic Acid

Rheumatism is no respecter of age, sex, color or rank. It is not the most dangerous of human afflictions it is one of the most painful. Those subject to rheumatism should eat no sweets for awhile, dress as warmly as possible, avoid any undue exposure and above all, drink lots of pure water.

Rheumatism is caused by uric acid or body waste matter, and is often generated in the bowels and absorbed into the blood. It is the function of the kidneys to filter this poison from the blood, and cast it out in the urine; the pores of the skin are also a means of freeing the blood of this impurity. In damp and chilly, cold weather the skin pores are closed thus forcing the kidneys to do double work; they become weak and sluggish and are unable to eliminate this toxic acid, which keeps accumulating and circulating through the system, eventually settling in the joints and muscles, causing stiffness, soreness and pain, called rheumatism.

At the first twinges of rheumatism get from any pharmacy about four ounces of Jad Salts; put a tablespoonful in a glass of water and drink before breakfast each morning for a week. This is the best neutralizer of uric acid, removes waste and stimulates the kidneys, thus helping to rid the blood of these rheumatic poisons.

Jad Salts is inexpensive, and is made from the acid of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithia, and is used with excellent results by thousands of folks who are subject to rheumatism. (Adv.)